

WHY DON'T PEARY PUBLISH PROOFS INQUIRES SCHLEY

Admiral and Polar Explorer Says Both Men Should Be Judged By the Danes

STILL CONSIDERS COOK WAS AT POLE

Copenhagen Will Not Withdraw Honors Granted to the Doctor; Comments of Various Arctic Authorities

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(Re-affirming his complete confidence in Dr. Cook, Rear Admiral W. S. Schley, retired, today called upon Commander Peary to submit his proofs that he reached the North Pole to a scientific body other than the National Geographic Society. This, the admiral declared, should be done at once in the interest of justice and to establish beyond question the claims of Peary.

HEARST MEN STEAL ANOTHER LETTER

Department of Justice Indignant at Correspondence in Magazine.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Thomas R. Harwood, Philadelphia lawyer, brought suit today in the United States Circuit court against the International Magazine, owned by Hearst, for publishing a letter from the magazine in the current issue of the Cosmopolitan Magazine in an article entitled "Tragedy of the Sugar Trust."

RETURN FROM TREASURE HUNT ON TIBURON

NOGALES, Ariz., Dec. 22.—Several members of a party of sixteen Americans who passed through here two months ago to explore Tiburon Island, in the Gulf of Lower California, for hidden treasure and mineral deposits, reached here today on their way home.

PREPARE TO MAKE DASH UP MOUNT MCKINLEY

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Dec. 22.—The expedition that was organized several months ago at the instigation of the Cook Mount McKinley controversy, to ascend the great peak and establish definitely its location, set out from Fairbanks today with men, teams and supplies to establish a base at the foot of the mountain to be ready to make a dash for the summit in March.

TO TEST MILLIONAIRE'S BRAIN FOR INSANITY

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 22.—Portions of the brain of George Rhoads, a millionaire who died a few days ago in a sanitarium, were taken today to the laboratory of a pathologist at the University of Chicago for examination.

ARCTIC CLUB MAY ACT

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Members of the Arctic Club of America today adopted a resolution to refer the question of further membership of Dr. Cook to the board of directors.

"COOK NO LONGER INTERESTING"

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 22.—Fridtjof Nansen, the Norwegian Arctic explorer, today broke his long silence and talked of the Peary-Cook controversy.

THREATEN TO PUNISH RELATIVES IN CHINA

Imperial Officials Under Take to Put an End to Tong War.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—The Chinese government has exerted its authority to bring to an end the factional war in the Chinese quarters on the Pacific Coast, which has resulted in the murder of eight persons since November 1st.

SENATOR MCLAURIN SUDDENLY TAKEN

Dead Mississippian Had Also Been Governor of His State.

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 22.—United States Senator A. J. McLaurin died suddenly tonight at his home in Brandon, Miss., due to an attack of heart failure.

QUADRUPLE CRIME IS CAUSED BY JEALOUSY IN KENTUCKY HILLS

LONDON, Ky., Dec. 22.—A triple murder and a suicide occurred at Pittsburgh, a mining village in this county, late today, when William Murray, a miner 35 years old, shot and killed Ethel Cole, Mrs. Murray's wife of the slayer, Mrs. Murray's mother and then killed himself.

ESTRADA READY TO MAKE ATTACK UPON GREYTOWN

Complete Surrender of Zelayan Forces Opens Way to Advance on Managua

ZELAYA MAKES PLEA TO LATIN PREJUDICE

Complains of United States in a Statement; Report of Uprising in Honduras Is Not Seriously Credited.

THREE POLITICAL MURDERS ALARM FOREIGN COURTS

Bomb Destroys Chief of Secret Police at St. Petersburg; Cause a Mystery.

ANARCHIST SHOOTS ROUMANIAN OFFICER

British Magistrate in Hindustan Is Assassinated By a Native During a Theatrical Performance

COMPLETE SURRENDER

BLUFFELDS, Nicaragua, Dec. 22.—General Estrada has won a complete victory over the revolutionary forces at Rana, six hours' march from Managua.

DEFEAT OF GONZALES

The defeat of Gonzales at Tamblado, where he was strongly entrenched, drove him back to Rana, where the revolutionary forces were waiting.

ECHO OF SCANDALS

The assassination of Chief Karpoff, who was a member of the revolutionary committee, was a continuation of the scandalous events of the past few days.

FRANCE HAS QUIT BUYING AMERICAN OIL PRODUCTIONS

PETROLEUM EXPORTERS WILL Try to Have the Reciprocity Agreement Re-enacted

BIG INCREASE IN GENERAL TRADE

New Tariff on Champagne Has Caused Noticeable Falling Off in Imports; Longer Free List.

PLAN TO PRESERVE NIAGARA FALLS

Favorable Report for a National Park Transmitted to Congress.

HAWAIIAN DRYDOCK IS BUILT TOO SMALL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Contending that it would be a grave mistake to build the \$22,000,000 drydock at Pearl Harbor, the House of Representatives today voted to postpone the bill.

"ACCIDENTAL DEATH" IN ADMITTING HE SUICIDED

SAN JOSE, Dec. 22.—That Walter L. Carroll, the San Francisco ex-politician, came to his death Friday night by being accidentally crushed under a Southern Pacific train was the verdict of the coroner's jury at the inquest held here today.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT MAY GO TO CANADA

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—The Herald today says there is every likelihood of the Duke of Connaught, the King's brother, succeeding Earl Grey as governor-general of Canada next year.

NEW COMMERCE LAW

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Taft today signed the new commerce law, which will bring into effect the provisions of the tariff act of 1908.

## EWING-MCDANIEL OFFICE GUTTED BY FIRE

Oil Stove Explodes When  
Insurance Man Turns  
It Too High.

ESTIMATED LOSS \$1200

Callman Lamond in Peril-  
ous Position While  
Fighting Flames.

The explosion of a small coal oil  
heating stove in the office of the  
Ewing-McDaniel Real Estate Company  
caused a fire last night which gutted  
the building at No. 1024 J street and

**Hale's  
Honey of  
Horsehound & Tar**  
Take it  
—when you are hoarse  
—for sore throat  
—for swollen tonsils  
—for coughs and colds  
and get relief.  
Sold by Druggists  
Filer's Toothache Drops  
Cure in One Minute

### Eye Care

In all our talks to you we  
have never told the complete  
story of Our Glasses.  
Their many elements of su-  
periority can not be explained  
in this small space.  
Those who wear them recom-  
mend them and say they  
have never failed to help  
when their assistance was  
needed—you would say so, too.  
It is for your interest to in-  
vestigate Our Glasses, or do  
the better and wiser thing—  
call and let us demonstrate  
them to you.

There's No Risk.  
Our Glasses Guaranteed.

**Dr. F. M. Kearns**

Glasses Fitted Scientifically.  
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FRESNO, CAL.

caused the stock of the Hogg Clock  
and Sult Company at No. 1024 J street  
to be injured slightly by smoke.  
A humorous part about the origin  
of the fire was the part played in it  
by Charles Hill, an insurance adjust-  
er of the German-American Fire In-  
surance Company. Hill entered the  
office about 5 o'clock last evening and  
found the small oil stove burning at a  
furious rate. The sides were all red  
hot. Hill, in an effort to turn out the  
flame, turned the screw the wrong way,  
and the flames shot out of the top of  
the stove. Hill called to the telephone  
he called up Fred Ewing, the senior  
member of the firm of the Ewing-Mc-  
Daniel Company, asking him how to  
turn out the flaming stove.

While he was at the telephone, the  
stove exploded and Hill ran out. Ar-  
riving Police Sergeant Egan and Pa-  
trolman Steele Davis were across the  
street at the time of the explosion and  
Davis ran to the alley between J and I  
streets and turned in an alarm.  
When the fire department arrived the  
flames were shooting high in the  
air through the roof and the whole in-  
terior of the building was enveloped in  
smoke and flames. Through efficient  
work on the part of Fire Chief Winte-  
mut, Assistant Fire Chief Baird and  
the men under them the flames were  
quickly subdued, and the greatest dam-  
age that was done was the destruction  
of the chandeliers and fixtures in the  
building. A conservative estimate  
places the loss of fixtures at \$1200. All  
of the valuable records of the firm of  
Ewing-McDaniel were in a steel safe  
and were uninjured.

While the fire was at its height, a  
ladder was placed against the build-  
ing where the Hogg Clock and Sult  
Company is and Callman J. J. Lamond,  
Ellis and Sorenson climbed up with a  
hose to try to extinguish the fire. La-  
mond got on top of the roof, but the  
smoke and flames became so dense that  
it seemed as if Lamond would be un-  
able to find his way back to the lad-  
der, and the crowd clustered at his  
perilous position. He finally managed  
to get to the ladder and descended in  
safety.

By the prompt work of the fire de-  
partment the stock in the Hogg Sult  
and Clock Company store was not in-  
jured at all by fire or did any water  
get into the place. Some of the stock,  
however, was injured slightly by smoke.

The building which is occupied by  
the Ewing-McDaniel Company is owned  
by Mrs. Minnie Sherman.

**THREE CHILDREN DIE IN FIRE**  
DELAWARE, Dec. 22.—The  
three children of Jasper Williamson  
were burned to death in their home  
near here last evening. The parents  
were absent.

When you  
Medical Discovery. Do  
a reliable dealer. He'll  
sell you what you want.  
The ones who have some-  
thing else to urge upon  
you in his place are think-  
ing of the extra profit  
they'll make. These  
things pay them better,  
but they don't care about  
you.

None of these cheap  
substitutes is "just as  
good" as the "Discovery."  
Which is the old and tried  
blood-cleanser, Dr. Pierce's  
Pleasant Pellets. In the most stubborn Skin,  
Scalp, or Scrofulous Affections, or in  
every disease that's caused by a torpid  
liver by impure blood—it never fails to  
benefit or cure.

Nothing else, at any price, is really as  
cheap.  
Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the  
original little liver pills, first put up 40  
years ago. They regulate and invigorate  
stomach, liver and bowels. Much in-  
dicated but never equaled. Sugar-coated  
and easy to take as candy.

## NOTED MEXICAN PATRIOT TELLS OF REACTION IN COUNTRY

De Lara Says People Seek  
to Depose Diaz By  
Peaceable Means.

To Lecture in This City on  
Conditions in His Na-  
tive Land.

Filled with a fiery devotion for his  
native country, L. Gutierrez de Lara,  
the Mexican patriot, who was saved  
from death in Mexico through the pro-  
testations of American friends, ar-  
rived in Fresno last night and will  
speak tonight at Chance hall on the  
revolutionary movement in Mexico.

To many, the impression has been  
gained that De Lara and his compatriots  
seek the downfall of President Diaz  
through anarchistic means. Such a  
suggestion is wholly denounced by De  
Lara.

"If we were to kill Diaz, he would  
immediately become a martyr and a  
man like him should never be a mar-  
tyr. If he is deposed we will punish  
him through life. We will not put him  
in jail, but will allow the disgrace  
which will have been brought upon  
him by his downfall to be sufficient  
punishment."

"The revolutionists of Mexico are  
seeking by all peaceable means to de-  
pose Diaz. If we fail in the election  
next July, we will make a fight against  
the various governors and representa-  
tives at the polls and the use of force  
will be our last resort when every-  
thing else has failed."

"When Diaz assumed the presidency,  
he violated the constitution by the  
establishment of an army. The consti-  
tution of Mexico does not allow a  
standing army and there is no need for  
one there."

The revolutionists will hold a con-  
vention in Mexico on February 5th de-  
spite the opposition of Diaz and his  
hired forces. It does not matter  
whether 10,000 people are killed, the  
convention will be held. The Mexicans  
of California are entitled to a delegate  
to this convention and we will have a  
delegate."

Speaking of the reaction in Mexico,  
De Lara stated that it was very radi-  
cal and that on all sides opposition was  
expressed, not only among the lower  
classes but among the higher classes  
as well.

The campaign being conducted by  
these patriots in this country is for the  
purpose of telling the true condition of  
affairs in Mexico under the Diaz  
regime. The revolutionists are seeking  
the support of the American people  
and the American government and in  
seeking this support they are endeavor-  
ing to show the people of this country  
why this movement should be sup-  
ported.

"The sole object of the revolution-  
ists," declared De Lara, "is to re-es-  
tablish a legal constitutional government  
and restore the constitution of 1857,  
which Diaz has destroyed."

Francisco Madero, one of the most  
prominent rancheros in the northern  
section of Mexico, is believed to be the

man who will be selected by the con-  
vention next February to run against  
Diaz, while it is expected that Manuel  
Gutierrez de Lara, one of Mexico's  
foremost lawyers and statesmen, has  
been suggested as a possible candi-  
date.

De Lara predicts that he will be able  
to return to Mexico within a year.

De Lara first became known as the  
guide of John Kenneth Turner, who  
recently fired the world with his stir-  
ring stories of conditions in Mexico.  
De Lara also assisted in furnishing  
Turner with a great deal of his infor-  
mation.

**J. P. BOLTON RETURNS  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO**  
Represents City at Conven-  
tion of Playgrounds  
Association.

J. P. Bolton, who was present at the  
meeting of the various playground as-  
sociations in San Francisco last Sat-  
urday, at which time a state Play-  
grounds Association was formed, has  
returned to Fresno and speaks enthu-  
siastically of the meeting. Bolton was  
sent up as proxy for C. L. McLane,  
who was to have represented Fresno.  
The meeting, he declares, was an en-  
thusiastic one and the state organ-  
ization was perfected and a constitu-  
tion adopted. C. L. McLane was named  
as one of the directors. The directors  
were elected to serve for one, two and  
three years, and McLane was one of  
those chosen for the three-year term.

The local playground association is  
seeking to get Dr. Luther H. Gulick,  
president of the National Playgrounds  
Association, medical director of the  
schools of New York City and the  
foremost authority on playgrounds in  
the United States, to speak in this city  
some time about the first of the year.  
Dr. Gulick is at present in Los Angeles,  
but will go to San Francisco next week  
to address the state teachers' associa-  
tion. C. L. McLane is seeking to get  
him to stop over in Fresno for a day  
on his way back to Los Angeles after  
his trip to San Francisco.

## NEGRO SEEKS TO CUT BRAKEMAN WITH RAZOR

Foiled in Attempt to Steal  
Grip, Draws Weapon on  
Employee.

HANFORD, December 22.—Because  
he was foiled in an attempt to steal  
a grip on a local passenger train, Robert  
Blackney, a negro, drew a razor on  
the brakeman of the train this after-  
noon. Just as others were about to  
seize him he broke a drain, however,  
but was later captured in a saloon.

Blackney boarded the train at Han-  
ford as it pulled in from Coalinga and  
immediately sought to get a grip near  
the door. He was accosted by the  
brakeman and it was then that he  
sought to make an assault. The at-  
tack created quite a commotion and  
excitement about the depot for a few  
minutes and the train was delayed for  
some time. Blackney was in jail  
charged with assault with a deadly  
weapon.

## ELABORATE SYSTEM OF WIRELESS STATIONS

Sweeping Plan to Be Sub-  
mitted to Congress By  
Navy Department.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—A sweep-  
ing plan for the extension of wireless  
telegraph service in the navy has been  
submitted to Congress by Rear Ad-  
miral Cowles, chief of the bureau of  
equipment.

"Wireless apparatus of the latest  
type," he says, "is to be supplied to  
all new vessels of the navy, including  
destroyers and all auxiliaries, as this  
latter class of vessels has proven val-  
uable in establishing wireless chains  
across long stretches of ocean without  
the necessity of disrupting the fight-  
ing fleet. Until it may become pos-  
sible to entrust all coastwise service  
to the commercial companies, the bu-  
reau is obliged to keep the coast chain  
of stations in the most efficient con-  
dition possible not only for military  
service, but to warn mariners."

"Another station is contem-  
plated in Dutch Harbor, Alaska, to  
carry wireless to Bering Sea, connect-  
ing with Cape Nome station and per-  
mitting vessels from Nome to Lower  
California to keep in touch with the  
world. After a contemplated high-  
powered station in Washington has  
been completed, it is believed a similar  
station will be found necessary in the  
following localities: The West coast  
of the United States, in the Hawaiian  
and in the Philippine Islands. With  
stations of such power at these places,  
vessels will be within call when going  
to or from or when in, virtually all  
waters where naval operations of in-  
terest to the United States might be  
expected. Each station will cost  
\$100,000.

## MARRYING PARSON BREAKS ALL RECORDS

Rev. Duncan Wallace United Five  
Couples in Wedlock in One  
Day.

The Rev. Duncan Wallace, popularly  
known as the "marrying parson,"  
broke all records yesterday when he  
was called upon to unite five couples.  
The record heretofore established by  
the Rev. Wallace was four couples in  
one day, but the 22nd of December  
saw him eclipse that record.  
The following are the couples that  
the Rev. Wallace united yesterday:  
James VanZandt to Miss Elizabeth  
Cronkhite, J. A. Fluettsch to Miss  
Maude McKeehan, Perry DeGraw to  
Miss Eugie Flinn, Rolla E. Quick to  
Miss Neena Wright, and Grover C.  
Ollinger to Miss Ludie Clowds.

**CHRISTMAS EVE BALL.**  
Great interest is being manifested in  
the annual ball of the U. P. E. C.  
Council No. 33, which will be given in  
Armory Hall on Christmas Eve. A  
special orchestra, led by Theodore  
Belts, will furnish the music. The ad-  
mission will be 50 cents. Ladies free.

**REDWOOD GRAPE STAKES.**  
Redwood Tanks for wine and water.  
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Dependable Qualities—Gottschalk's Prices

Gold Locket \$2 to \$3.50  
Fancy Hat Pins, large  
sets ..... 35c  
Plain & Fancy Hat-pins—  
gold & silver set with rhine-  
stones ..... 75c to 4.50  
Coral & Pearl Cuff  
Links ..... 50c  
Shirt Waist Sets—brooch  
and cuff links to match, set  
with topaz or amethyst, 75c

Gold Plated Beauty Pins,  
25c. 35c. 50c pair  
Solid Gold  
Ones ..... 75c to \$2 pair  
Jet and Pearl Ear-  
rings ..... 75c to \$2  
Gilt Brooches, set with large  
stones, assorted  
colors ..... 35c to 50c  
Gold Brooches, assorted col-  
or stones ..... 1.50 to \$5



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The best of all Handkerchief  
Stores—either men's, women's  
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Nail Files, 39c to 1.25 each  
Cuticle Knives,  
39c to 1.25 each  
Buffers ..... 1.50 to 2.25 each  
Sterling Mounted Hat  
Brushes ..... 1.25 to 2.75  
Clothes Brushes,  
3.75 to 5.75  
Military Brushes,  
5.75 to \$10 pair  
Hair Receivers ..... \$3.50 each  
Powder Jars ..... 3.50 each

## Best Store for Hand-Bags

In plain black leathers, with  
strap handles, and inside coin  
pocket and purse, mounted  
with either gilt or gun metal.  
Prices ..... 98c to 7.50  
Natural Seal hand bags,  
leather lined, double strap han-  
dles, gilt and gun metal frames  
and trimmings—at all prices  
from ..... 6.50 to 15.00

Patent Leather Hand Bags,  
in great variety of sizes and  
designs at prices ranging  
from ..... \$2 to 22.50

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both plain and ornamented  
with claws & heads,  
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latest concepts—all leathers and  
assorted colors,  
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4 yd. Cuts, Special \$4.00

The width is 19 inch. The silk is the very best quality.  
The colorings are the very newest. 15 pretty patterns to se-  
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white and black. Remember this is a regular \$1.25 grade of  
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Yuletide Patterns of Double  
Satin Damask, 72 inches wide,  
in large assortment to choose  
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90c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2,  
\$2.50 yd.

Napkins to match, three-  
quarter size, \$2.50 to \$10 doz.  
Linen Sets, consisting of  
cloth & one dozen napkins—

Cloth, 72x72,  
Napkins, 24x24, 8.50 set.  
Cloth 72x90,  
Napkins, 24x24, 10.50 set.  
Cloth, 72x108,  
Napkins, 24x24, 9.50 set.

## FRESNAN SUICIDES IN SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, December 22.—A.  
Monatti of Fresno, who has been vi-  
siting here for several days, committed  
suicide today by shooting himself in  
the head with a revolver.  
Monatti is not known in this city.

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BATS  
WITCH-ELK SHOES  
BICYCLE LAMPS  
PUNCHING BAGS  
GUNS  
DUMBBELLS  
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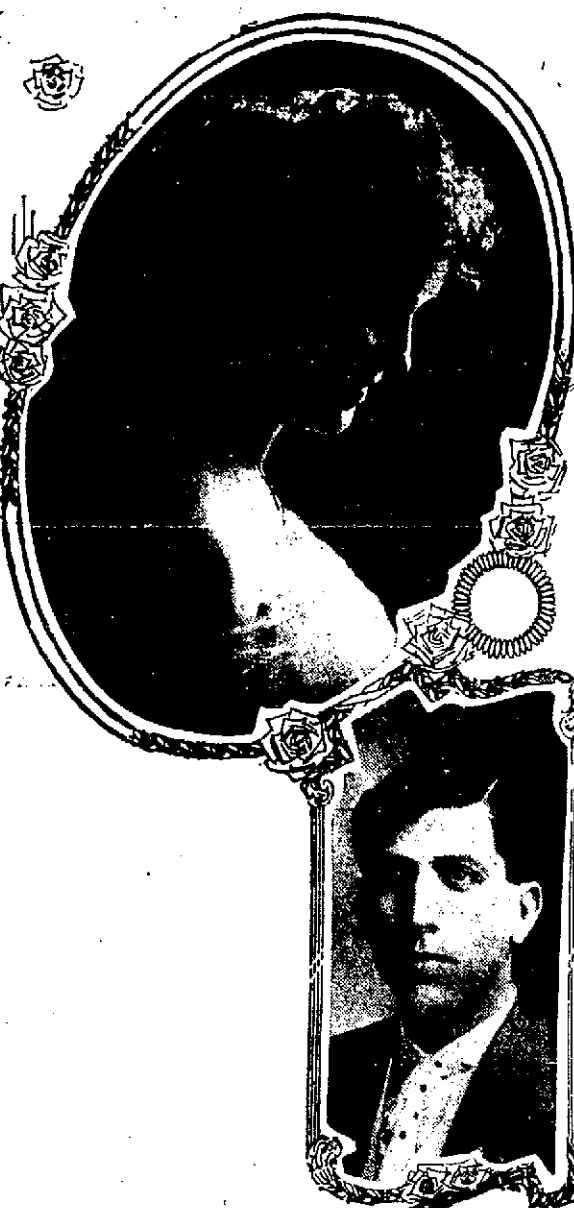
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## Social and Club News



Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Oblinger, whose marriage took place last night.

A very interesting bit of news that is going the rounds of some of the tables comes in the announcement of the engagement of Miss Obera Malcolin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Malcolin, to William Thomas Aldridge of San Francisco. Miss Malcolin returned but a few days ago from San Jose, where she has been attending the State Normal, but will not go back to school, as troupe and wedding plans will occupy her time for the remaining months before her marriage, which will be an October event.

Miss Malcolin is one of the most attractive of the younger society girls. She is unusually pretty and vivacious and is immensely popular in her particular circle of friends. She graduated from the Fresno High school and since graduation has been attending the State Normal. Her fiancé is a young business man of San Francisco, whom she met on a visit to friends about a year ago. He is connected with one of the largest banks in the city and is expected down to visit the family of his prospective bride just after Christmas.

A genuine surprise wedding was the one which occurred last night at the Cumberland Presbyterian church, when Miss Lillian A. Chowdhry and Grover C. Oblinger, well known young people of this city. Not even the nearest and dearest of kin and friends were admitted to the secret beforehand, and it was not until the ceremony had been performed that the wedding was announced to the guests at the dancing party at the Parlor Lecture Club. Both Mr. Oblinger and his bride are very well known socially, being very popular members of the younger set with which they are very closely identified.

The bride is a charming, petite blonde of a very decided and attractive type and possesses a most winning personality that has made her the center of an admiring group of friends. She is the daughter of Mrs. Dora Chowdhry of 1427 I street, and for the past year or more has been the bookkeeper at the Wonder Clock and Sulfur House.

Mr. Oblinger is employed in the job office of the Republican and is a very interesting, young fellow, well liked both in business and socially. The wedding will be all the more of a surprise inasmuch as no hint had been dropped of even an engagement between the young people. Miss Malcolin and Grover C. Oblinger attended the bride's coming out at the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. Duncan Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. Oblinger are to occupy apartments at "The Kemmer," where they will be at home to their friends after the first of the year.

This evening at the First Methodist

church the children of the Sunday school will participate in an elaborate Christmas cantata, for which they have been rehearsing for some weeks.

Mr. T. Hall is in charge of the affair and has been putting in his efforts to give the little people the best possible training, as a finished performance is assured for this evening.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. C. Swartz entertained at dinner in compliment to their son, Fred Swartz, and his prospective bride, Miss Hazel Holbrook, whose wedding was a notable event of yesterday. The dining room and living room showed a most artistic decorative scheme, in Christmas colors, holly berries and red shaded candles being used with charming effect.

Seated at the table with the host and hostess were Miss Holbrook, Miss Helen Perrin, Miss Jessie Brown, Miss Edith Kiblock, Miss Orlena Shishmanian, Messrs. Fred and Bert Swartz, Richard Hughes of Portland, Ore., Herbert Levy and John Shishmanian.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Jewett will arrive today from Washington, D. C., to spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Scott McKay.

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Wright, on the All son vineyard, was solemnized yesterday morning the marriage of their daughter, Miss Newman Wright, and Itala E. Quick. The ceremony was performed at half-past 2 o'clock in the presence of the immediate family and a few close friends. Decorations of greenery and white blossoms beautified the altar, the bride standing beneath a canopy of white flowers. The bride wore a traveling gown, a tailor suit of tan cloth with hat to match. After an informal wedding breakfast the newly wedded pair left for the Yosemite valley to spend their honeymoon. The bride is a most attractive girl and very popular among her friends in the country as well as in town. The groom is a prosperous young vineyardist of Temperance valley.

The spirit of Christmas descended in substantial form yesterday upon the little folks of the Fresno county organization. Through the liberal gifts of the merchants of the city and individuals these fifty little boys and girls, who are the children of the poor, were able to enjoy the joys of Christmas. Under the supervision of Mrs. Lee Gray, assisted by a capable committee of helpers chosen from the body board of managers, a Christmas tree was set up and trimmed and laden with toys and candies.

Joe Bernhard very kindly played Santa Claus and added very much to the happiness of the children by personally distributing the gifts in social gifts. The children were very happy and the spirit of Christmas was everywhere. They contributed several songs to the entertainment.

Assisting Mrs. Gray were Mrs. C. J. Crawford, Mrs. T. W. Patterson, Mrs. Louis Gumbelinger, Mrs. Frank Short, Mrs. W. W. Crawford, Mrs. E. E. Manheim, Mrs. Edward Elliott, Miss Bonnie Carter and several others.

Miss Elizabeth Cronkrite and James R. Van Zandt were married last evening at half-past 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cronkrite, at 355 California avenue.

About forty relatives and friends of the bride and groom were present at the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. Duncan Wallace. Christmas greens and holly were used in the decorations of the rooms, which were made very attractive for the happy event.

The bride is extremely popular in social and fraternal circles here and for some years has held a responsible position in the recorder's office, where her conscientious and efficient manner have made her a general favorite. Mr. Van Zandt is a former Fresnoan. He worked for the Southern Pacific com-

pany here for several years and now is in their employ in Los Angeles, where he will take his bride.

The bride was beautifully gowned in old rose silk and carried pink veils. She wore a large black picture hat. Miss Effie Perry attended her. She was a gown of Copenhagen blue and carried white veils. Arthur Blachen attended the groom. After the ceremony a dainty supper was served, the tables being artistically adorned with Christmas berries and smilax. Mrs. Herman Gilbert played the wedding march and the organ accompaniment of the wedding hymn, "Nearer My God to Thee." Numbers of beautiful gifts were bestowed upon the bride, an especially handsome one of cut glass coming from the bride's fellow workers in the recorder's office.

After a visit of several days with friends in town, Mr. and Mrs. Van Zandt will leave for Los Angeles to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Harris have as their guest the latter's cousin, Mrs. Julia K. Drum, of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Drum has recently returned from the Philippines, where she visited in army circles.

One of the most charming events of the holiday season was the dance given last night in the Parlor Lecture Club hall by the members of the El Sigma Dancing Club. Last year this congenial little organization gave a series of dances at the Hughes hotel and they were looked upon as quite the pleasantest social occasions of the season.

This year the club has organized under a new name and the leaders in its management are Arthur R. Kaiser and J. J. Phillips, both of whom are to be congratulated upon the skill with which they have made the arrangements for last night's opening party. Hundreds of beautiful red Christmas bells swung above the heads of the dancers, while garlands of Christmas greens and holly furthered the attractions of the ball room. The orchestra was concealed behind a screen of ferns and in the banquet hall below stairs punch was served throughout the evening.

The numbers of beautiful gowns worn by the ladies added to the beauty of the gay Christmas picture. Among the club members who were hosts for last night's delightful dance were: Arthur R. Kaiser, J. J. Phillips, Samuel Fletcher, Grover C. Oblinger, George Hickford, Elmer C. Harris, Harold McVurt, Claude Timmons, Earl Lake, L. Rasmussen, Dr. Floyd R. Burks, George Eckman, Roy Beall, Frank Schütz, J. Meade, Stanley Glassford, Leslie Hilton, Curtis Ballard, Fay Curtis, Harry M. Deussen, R. E. Farnham, L. L. Simon, Walter Barr, Walter Williams, R. H. Cass, Harry L. Kern, L. A. Wharton, Willard Barnes, Royce, Charles Barnum, H. Jones, E. C. Van Buren, Jr., Charles Rawling, R. A. Van Buren, L. Williams, H. J. Carling, P. E. Wilson, H. McKenzie, C. E. McQuinn, J. M. Swift, C. P. Stahl, R. L. Bearden, Ed. win Ellis, William Stranahan, A. F. Howard, Lester Easton, L. E. Gehan, L. M. Wetherford, Dr. E. E. Kelly, Dr. O. J. Howard, J. N. Bostick, E. L. Fasset, J. J. Birmingham, G. A. Faris, R. N. Peterson, A. R. Carpenter, S. M. Phillips, S. A. Lamm, T. Gall, M. Johnson, R. D. Marshall.

Wedding bells rang very happily yesterday for several popular brides and society paused in its Christmas shopping rush to do honor to the various wedding celebrations.

At the First Christian church at half-past 3 o'clock, there was a large gathering of friends to witness the nuptial services uniting Miss Hazel Holbrook and Frederick Lloyd Swartz. The union of these two popular young people was the occasion for a very happy gathering at the church, where they are both active in young people's work and both very deeply beloved. Mr. and Mrs. Swartz are a most attractive couple and the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Holbrook. She is a girl of rare charm and sweetness of character and is loved and admired by all those who have come to know her well. She has been nearly all of her childhood in Fresno, attended the public schools here and has been exceedingly popular in society. Naturally vivacious and clever she has been greatly

in demand at social and church affairs.

The groom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Swartz. He graduated from the Fresno High school and since from the department of architecture of the University of Pennsylvania. He is an unusually fine young man, well associated in business with his father.

The auditorium of the church lends itself admirably for decorative purposes and was especially lovely yesterday. The heavy greenery of potted palms and Christmas evergreens was relieved by the daintier garlands of smilax and festivity fern. A portion of the church reserved for the immediate family and friends was separated by means of pretty arches of greenery.

Mrs. R. C. Leonard presided at the organ, and before the bridal party appeared Mrs. F. H. Connelly sang a very beautiful wedding hymn that was deeply impressive. Proceeding the bride and her maid of honor came the little ring bearer, Miss Marjorie Medford, wearing the fine blue and white dress, and Miss Margaret Loper, the small flower girl, both daintily attired in white, with duffy bows of pink.

Miss Irma Perlin preceded the bride. She made a beautiful picture in a gown of gold colored broadcloth with trimmings of gold, a yellow hat trimmed in yellow plumes and a muff of yellow flowers. The bride entered the church on her father's arm. She looked unusually lovely in a gown of heavy white broadcloth embroidered in silver and white. It was an exquisite picture but of white beaver covered with white willow plumes. Rev. Ray Oakley Miller performed the ceremony. The groom was attended by his brother, Bert Swartz.

After the church service there was an informal reception for about forty of the most intimate friends and relatives of the bride and groom at the home of the bride, the Tulare street. Mr. and Mrs. Swartz stood beneath an arch of greenery and pink roses to receive the congratulations that were showered upon them. Later a wedding supper was served. The bride's table was exquisitely decorated with pink bridesmaid roses and plumose fern in an artistic arrangement, pink shaded candles lighting the pretty table.

The gifts were both numerous and beautiful. Seldom has a bride been so favored with such a large and costly gift as this one. Mr. and Mrs. Swartz left on the late afternoon train for Los Angeles, where they will spend their honeymoon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Davidson of Santa Barbara are here spending the holidays at the Sunnyside vineyard.

NOT AN ESCAPED CONVICT.

MALESTER, Okla., Dec. 22.—Jack Perdue, a former deputy Tulsa marshal, who was arrested here two weeks ago, charged with being James Dobson, who escaped from the state prison of Pennsylvania twenty years ago, was discharged last night, having convinced the authorities that he was not the escaped convict.

Perdue proved that he was in Oklahoma when Dobson was in prison.

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The box containing coupons on the Piano will be opened this Friday evening at 9 o'clock, and the coupons will be counted by a selected committee. All coupons must be deposited before 9 o'clock, Friday evening, December 24th.

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Pure Silk Floss Mattress, regular price \$12.00, cut to .....\$7.50  
Pure Silk Floss Mattress, regular price \$17.50, cut to .....\$13.25  
Iron Beds, regular price \$4.00, cut to .....\$2.40  
Iron Beds, regular price \$13.50, cut to .....\$10.15  
Iron Beds, 2 inch posts, regular price \$20.00, cut to .....\$19.50  
Bird's eye Maple Dressers, regular price \$20.00, cut to .....\$15.00  
Bird's eye Maple Dressers, regular price \$26.00, cut to .....\$20.25  
Bird's eye Maple Dressers, regular price \$27.00, cut to .....\$20.25  
Solid Oak Dressers, regular price \$12.50, cut to .....\$9.40  
Golden Oak Dressers, regular price \$8.50, cut to .....\$6.40  
Golden Oak Wash Stands, regular price \$5.50, cut to .....\$3.50  
Ladies' Writing Desks, regular price \$7.25, cut to .....\$5.00  
Ladies' Writing Desks, regular price \$14.00, cut to .....\$10.50

Ladies' Writing Desks, regular price \$25.00, cut to .....\$18.75  
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**HINDU HOPES**

While it might seem at first glance that the situation of the British in India, hated as they are undoubtedly by many of the leading Hindus of the peninsula, is analogous to that of the Japanese in Korea, it is undoubtedly true that the British could not now withdraw from Asia, as it would still be very easy for the Japanese to withdraw from the mainland to leave the Koreans to settle their affairs, in good or bad fashion as they cared to. The British could not even, if they wished, govern the Hindu peninsula solely in the interests of the natives, as the United States is doing in the Philippines and as Japan might do in Korea.

Such a thing as a native government in India is practically impossible, it is agreed by the most selfish of the exploiters among the English and by those who have the interests of the natives at heart, for two reasons. The British have been settled in that immense territory for a century and a half, and their vested interests now form as great a claim upon the country as do those of any one set of the various races among whom the native people are divided.

**WANTS 10,000 MEN IN NAVAL MILITIA**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—"I want to get 10,000 men for the naval militia as well trained as possible and in good physical condition so that we can call upon them and put them in the service of the navy immediately in case of war as individuals."

**ANOTHER ADVANCE**

Now that the supervisors have promptly and unanimously passed the new liquor ordinance extending midnight and Sunday closing to the whole of Fresno county this county takes an advance position in the state for the strict regulation and restriction of the liquor business. The county forward step naturally follows the recent city ordinance, for if it had not done so, the beneficial effect of the municipal ordinance would be largely negated.

**GOVERNMENT BUSY PREVENTING CHEATING**  
Vast Sums Spent in Preventing Internal Revenue Frauds.

How to prevent gross frauds upon the government in connection with the collection of internal revenue taxes is the serious problem with which Secretary MacVeagh is dealing.

**INTERNAL STRUGGLE POSSIBLE IN GREECE**

ATHENS, Dec. 22.—The king is endeavoring to arrange a compromise in the struggle between the Military League and the parliamentarians, represented by Ex-Premier Theotokis, and the Royalists.

**AMERICAN SCHOONER MAY BE WRECKED**

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 22.—Probably another marine disaster off the coast of Washington was reported today when the Japanese steamer Kagawa, en route to the Japanese station at Cape Beal, had the American schooner Suse M. Plummer was in distress and had been abandoned 100 miles west and south of Cape Flattery.

**MACVEAGH SAYS "TIGHTEN UP"**

But whether the mass of the revenue officers are honest or not, the fact remains that the government is losing millions of dollars that it ought to receive if all the taxes authorized by law could be collected. This is the astounding fact with which Secretary MacVeagh is wrestling. He has given orders for the collection of the taxes and the case of near the tax is only in office three months, "to tighten up" his service.

**CHAUFFEURS LEARN FLYING**

Looking to the future, the Chauffeurs' Association of Philadelphia, composed of men who drive motor cars, has formed the Aero Club at 1833 Spring Garden street, for the purpose of learning the art of flying.

**THE HOUSE OF PAIN**

Unto the Prison House of Pain none willingly repair—The bravest who an entrance gain Reluctant linger there—For Pleasure, passing by that door, stays not to cheer the sight. And Erythra but muffled sound and banishes the light.

**MORE PRESENTS NOT DESIRED.**

A silk hat.  
An automobile horn.  
Sofa pillows.  
Hand-painted salts and peppers.  
Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress."  
Shaving papers.  
An ink well.  
A burnt-wood pipe rack.  
An ash tray.—Detroit Free Press.

**HISTORICAL TREASURES IN ANCIENT CASTLES**

Ancient castles of the old nobility of Europe are far from having yielded up to the student of history, science, and art all their hidden treasures. The libraries, the magnificent rooms, the vaults and the garrets of many of them remain virtually unexplored to this day—perfect mines of information with regard to the past.

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**HUNDREDS COMPLAIN OF BITES OF DOGS**  
Homeless Curs Are Becoming a Menace to Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—The maverick cur with a taste for human flesh and blood each day leaves the marks of his fangs on some person. This fact is at present of much interest as the city council is perplexed as to what it shall do with the wandering dogs.

**Little Pote Laranette, 1 year old**

was yesterday's victim. He was playfully skipping along in front of No. 513 California street, when a dog caught hold of his left leg. The beast tumbled him to the ground, and he was taken to the Receiving hospital, to have his wound cauterized. He resides with his parents at No. 513 High street.

**The homeless dog is the cause of**

most of the injuries which the police surgeons are called on to dress. The licensed dog seems to be more on the good behavior. Owing to this fact the wounded person has no recourse, no matter how great his damage may be.

**Tagless and collarless, the "tramp"**

dog is reveling in the freedom given him. No longer does he have to watch for the cutter with the net, as he slinks through the streets, because of the little restraint put on them, the dogs seem to become bolder day by day.

**Hundreds of complaints about the**

nuisances of these curs have been filed with the police. These were in turn referred to the Humane Animal commission, but the condition has been relieved only to a slight degree.

**It is estimated that not more than**

one-fourth of the total dog population has been licensed. The solution of the difficulty offered by the police is to compel all owners to keep their dogs at home and destroy those which have no masters.

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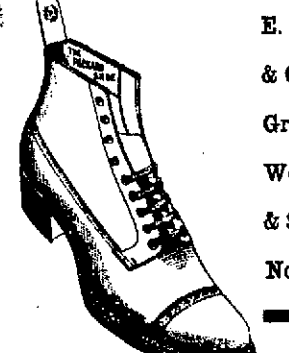
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- Stacy-Adams shoe needs no comment, always \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00; now during sale **\$4.50**
- Men's box calf shoes, different shapes, most all sizes. Shoes that sell regularly for \$3.50, now **\$2.50**
- The Menhans Co.'s patent cut kid and gun metal, lace or blucher; regular \$3.50 values, now during sale **\$2.50**
- The Menhans Co., of Rochester, N. Y., plain toe, patent leather, blucher lace usually \$3.50, now during sale **\$2.75**
- John Foster's kid and patent leather blucher, welted sole; one of the neatest shoes this season. Price was \$4.00, now during sale **\$3.00**
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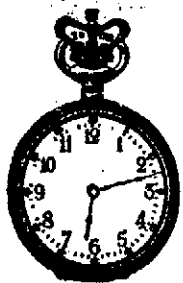
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O. B. Claret ..... 75c per gallon.  
Cabernet Claret ..... \$1.00 per gallon  
Petit Bouchet Claret ..... \$1.50 per gallon  
Burgundy AA ..... \$1.00 per gallon  
Zinfandel AA ..... 85c per gallon  
O. B. Riesling ..... \$1.00 per gallon  
Port, XX, \$1.00; XXX, \$1.50; XXXX, \$2.00; XXXX, \$2.50 per gallon.  
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**WIFE DRINKS STRANGE MIXTURE TO END LIFE**

Bromo, Florida Water, Peppermint, Jamaica Ginger, Fatal Potion.

PORTERVILLE, Dec. 22.—Mrs. R. W. Whiteaker, wife of a merchant tailor of this city, committed suicide this morning at her rooms in the Davis block, by taking a mixture of bromo, Florida water, essence of peppermint and Jamaica ginger. Physicians state that the bromo taken contained enough acetanilid to cause death.

Domestic infidelity is said to have been the cause of Mrs. Whiteaker's deed. Some time ago she attempted to commit suicide by drinking a clothes cleaning mixture, at that time her life being saved by prompt work on the part of physicians. After she recovered her husband started to the officers that she had taken the mixture by mistake and accounted for sundry bruises which were upon her face by saying she had fallen. Mrs. Whiteaker, however, stated to the officers that she had attempted to take her life, stating that the contusions upon her face were the result of a beating which her husband had administered.

Inasmuch as the deceased was taken ill first yesterday about 10 o'clock and went to her rooms at that time, and a physician was not called until early this morning, just before she died, the case is undergoing a rigid investigation at the hands of the coroner and the district attorney.

It is only a short time ago that the humane society made an investigation of mistreatment of a young son of Whiteaker, at the hands of his father, with the result that the child was taken from the Whiteaker home. There is much public indignation against the husband, who has manifested brutal indifference throughout the entire unfortunate affair.

Edward Emerson, the young man who committed suicide here some days ago, was buried here today, telegraph instructions to that end having been received here from his father, John Emerson, of Hingham, Ireland. Emerson was a member in good standing of the W. O. W. lodge and the funeral here today was under the auspices of

that order. Interment was in the Home of Peace cemetery.

Elaborate preparations for Christmas are being made at the grammar schools of this city, each of the rooms preparing a fine Christmas program. In addition to the fact that Santa Claus will be present and distribute gifts to the good little boys and girls, the students are also preparing huge Christmas boxes, the contents of which are to go to charitable work in the larger cities.

Engagement has been announced of Miss Edith Smith to Herbert Honn, the wedding to take place at the home of the bride on the evening of January 29th. The bride-to-be is the daughter of J. A. G. Smith, a pioneer jeweler and one of the best known business men of this city. The groom is an orchardist and has a place near the city limits, where they are to make their future home after a short wedding journey.

Notice has been received here at the office of the exchange that a suit has been filed by the orange growers against more than 400 railroads, protesting against the present rates on all sorts of citrus fruits to the East coast markets. It is stated that this action, which has been filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission, is the most far-reaching action ever entered, as it includes nearly every railroad within the United States.

**FOWLER LISTENS TO SPECIAL XMAS MUSIC**

Churches Will Have Festivities on Eve of Santa Claus' Visit.

POWELL, Dec. 22.—The Christmas cantata, Santa Claus and Uncle Sam, attracted good audiences Friday and Saturday evenings. All the parts were well performed and the highly pleased with the entertainments.

The Choral Society has been practicing some very fine music during the past weeks, and in the near future will give one of their excellent concerts. The work of the society has been well known and its former concerts have given such pleasure to our people that everyone is eager to hear them again.

The third entertainment of the Recreation Club's course will be given Wednesday evening, January 26th—a lecture by R. R. Baumgardt on "An Evening with the Stars." Illustrated by stereoscopic views, and is one of the finest this able speaker delivers. Those who have heard him before will not miss the opportunity to again listen to him, and those who have not been so fortunate in the past cannot afford to miss the chance so soon to be given them.

The "Deaf Mutes" of Tulare will be here Christmas to play a return game of football with the local team, and a spirited but clean contest is promised.

Churches here were well attended Sunday. The choirs rendered special music and the pastors delivered addresses appropriate to the Christmas season. The different Sunday schools will hold their Christmas exercises during this week, the First Presbyterian and the United Presbyterian holding theirs Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Interesting programs will be presented and all members and friends of the congregations are invited to be present.

These are busy days with the express agent and registry clerk at the postoffice. Old Santa will have to deliver an unusually large number of parcels from this place, and certainly will know raising when he has finished his distribution of gifts.

The Farmers' Union has just shipped a car of peaches, packed in twenty-five pound boxes to Montgomery, Ward & Co. of Chicago.

The different stores here are remaining open evenings this week to accommodate belated buyers and such as can not conveniently get out during the day.

The many friends of Paul C. Brown, state evangelist of the Christian Endeavor Society, who recently conducted a series of meetings here, have been grieved to learn of the death of his father, J. B. Brown of Los Angeles. Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Giffen and their children went to San Bernardino county last week. Mr. Giffen supplied the pulpit of the Presbyterian church at Tustin Sunday.

Roy R. Giffen expects to leave for Los Angeles in a few days, to remain until settled, spring weather prevails in this valley.

Charlie Lewis and Misses Carolyn Pettit and Esther Post are home from Occidental College for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Emily Drury is also home from the State University for her vacation. She has just won the ladies' pennant for the second time in the tennis contests of the student body.

Miss Lillie James is home from San Francisco, where she has just finished her musical studies, and doubtless will soon be heard here and elsewhere.

**GETS FORTY DAYS FOR BEATING WIFE**

Constable Bell of Firebaugh yesterday brought to the county jail a Mexican named Jose Castro, who was convicted in Judge Myers' court room of mistreating his wife and family. The court imposed a fine of \$25, or 40 days in the county jail. In default of the money, Jose was brought to the local jail yesterday afternoon and will serve his sentence.

**BOTHER R. R. CO., LAND BEHIND BARS**

Charles Redman and Jack Hale, negroes, were arrested in Firebaugh yesterday by Constable Bell on misdemeanor charges. It is alleged that the colored pair has been in the habit of hanging around the coal sheds in the Southern Pacific yards at the West Side yards for the past two weeks and that they became careless, building several fires in the immediate vicinity of the coal sheds and the large oil tanks. Redman and Hale were lodged in the county jail last night to await trial before Justice of the Peace Myers.

**SANGER SENDS VAG TO COUNTY JAIL**

Robert Teague was sentenced to twenty days in the county jail, with an alternative of a \$20 fine, yesterday by Judge Walton of Sanger. Vagrancy was the charge against the prisoner. Constable Burghen brought the man to the county jail last night.

**UNITARIAN PULPIT.**

About Your Doubts.  
Doubts are not such dreadful things as many of us have been taught to believe. They are the forerunners of the truth, rather than the enemies. The false may fear the action of doubt, but why should the true? Is it not able to stand investigation? Have you not faith to believe in it? Its strength and reality? Do you not know that when you fear a doubt you fear the truthfulness of truth? Believe in truth. Submit it to any kind of investigation. Doubt it all you like, and all you can. If it is not truth it will fall. Why should you care, if it is not truth?

J. A. CRUZAN, Field Agent.

**DREAM AWAKES PRIEST TO KNOWLEDGE OF FIRE**

Most of Buildings of Santa Clara College Are Saved By Prompt Action.

SAN JOSE, Dec. 22.—Fire that started in an unoccupied room in the administration building at Santa Clara college shortly after 1 o'clock this morning, completely destroyed the structure and for more than an hour threatened the destruction of every building within the enclosure, only the splendid fire fighting apparatus of the Santa Clara volunteer fire department and an emergency force from the San Jose department saving the dormitories, class buildings, chapel, theater and infirmary. The loss will be about \$70,000.

The fire was discovered by Father Ryan, a member of the faculty, and was made through the agency of a dream. Father Ryan said this morning that he was awakened by a nightmare and that he rushed into the corridor without reasoning. There, he heard strange noises and made an investigation, discovering the fire.

Priceless relics which it was believed at first had been destroyed, were found this morning to have been saved through the splendid efforts of firemen and volunteer members of the faculty and friends. They include some early mission documents and statuary.

No attempt will be made to reconstruct the building, as it is expected that the buildings which are to house the institution at Mountain View will be ready for occupancy early in February. The tentative plans for these were burned. The loss is fully covered by insurance and work will be begun at Mountain View immediately.

Father R. A. Gleason, president of the college, was at Mountain View, conducting a retreat for the nuns there, wired this morning that he would arrive at Santa Clara tonight.

ALEX COMSTOCK DEAD.  
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Alex Comstock, an old-time theatrical manager, died here today.

NEW YEARS CARDS.  
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Pictures, statuary, artists' material of all descriptions; frames and mouldings to suit the most artistic taste and purses of all sizes.

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**Christmas Gifts Aluminum Kitchen Ware**

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FRESNO, December 17, 1909.

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May we not ask the same consideration of our bills? Will you not analyze your daily use of our commodities? We cannot deliver in bulk; we do the storage and deliver at your command in just the quantity you call for and at any time of day or night—press a button or turn a key and we respond. There are times at night when stores are closed and cars are not running, but there is no time when our commodities of GAS and ELECTRICITY are not immediately available for your use. That service is worth something—to know that for LIGHT, for HEAT, or for POWER, we are AT YOUR SERVICE at all times.

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**\$10 Suits and Overcoats \$ 6.66**

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**\$20 Suits and Overcoats \$13.33**

**\$25 Suits and Overcoats \$16.66**

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YOUR MONEY BACK  
FRESNO, CAL.  
1041-1047 J STREET.

## WHAT THE COUNTY PAYS FOR GROCERIES

Graff & Co. Is Awarded the  
Contract to Supply  
Staples for 1910.

"I have figured on the three bids submitted, taking as a basis the articles actually used for three months, and find that it is Graff & Co. is the lowest bidder," was the report yesterday of County Engineer E. E. Hughes on the tenders to furnish groceries to the county institutions for the year 1910.

The other bidders were: Kutner, Goldstein & Co., and Holland & Holland, which latter firm was alone in responding to the first advertised call for bids. It may be of interest, in view of the higher cost of living, to quote some of the prices of the successful bidder. Here are some for the staple goods:

Bacon, 10c; breakfast, 10c; King's sugar, 10c; light meal, 10c; sides, 10c; and dry salt pork, 10c.

Butter, Fresno Creamery, 12c; squares, 12c; cents per square.

Beans, white, No. 1, 5-4-4; large white, 4-1-1; pink, 3-4-4; per pound.

Crackers, soda, 8c; and Meal 7c; per pound.

Coffee, Java, 19c; Yosemite, 19c; Mocha and Java, 20c; per pound.

Cheese, California cream, 17-1-2 cents per pound.

Codfish, haddock, 7c; per pound.

Eggs, California ranch, 47-50c per case (40 dozen of cases); 12 cents a dozen.

Fruit, assorted standard quarts, 32-10c per dozen.

Fruit, peaches, 6c; apples, dried, 9c; pears, 5c; prunes, 4c; and apricots, 10c.

Flour, Fresno No. 1, Selma (harvest), 10c; Sperry's Patent (harvest), 10c; King's sugar, 10c; and Rex, 10c.

Macaroni, California Paste Company and Fresno Company, 5c; per pound.

Oysters, pound cans, 12-1-2 cents per can; No. 1 cans, 11c a dozen.

Potatoes, 11-1-2c per 100 pounds.

Raisins, 3-crown, 12c for 50 pound box; seeded, 8c; a pound.

Rice, Japan table, 4-5-0c per 100 pounds; Texas, 4-5-0c per 100 pounds.

Sugar, dry granulated, 15-0c; Golden C, 15c; and sugar best No. 1, 15-30c per 100 pounds; powdered, 11-2c; per pound.

Tomatoes, California standard 1 gallon, 12c per dozen.

T. & Japan and English breakfast, 25c a pound.

## SAN JOSE RAILWAYS ARE CONSOLIDATED

SAN JOSE, Dec. 22.—"The San Jose Railroads" is the name of a new corporation that filed its articles this morning. It proposes to take over the First Street railway line and operate it in connection with the Santa Clara Street line, and to construct other local lines. The men interested are L. E. Hanchett, president; W. B. Lawson, manager; and E. M. Ross, secretary and attorney of the Santa Clara Street line and E. E. Fitzgerald, who is associated with John Martin of San Francisco. The capital stock is \$5,000,000. It has been rumored for some time that L. E. Hanchett had purchased the First Street line, owned by the General Land Office of the United States, and this rumor seems now to be fully confirmed.

## WOMAN PLAYFULLY SHOOTS HUSBAND

CHICO, Cal., Dec. 22.—Mrs. L. Dupon of Chico thought to play a joke on her husband last night. She took a pistol supposed to be empty and remarking "I am going to shoot you," pulled the trigger. The pistol was loaded and the bullet took effect in her husband's shoulder not far from his heart. The wife is prostrated but the husband will recover.

## HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?

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Choice new fancy mottled mahogany cases, large size, regular \$375 and \$400 styles now selling for \$227.

The very finest "select" mahogany cabinet grand, simple pianos with all the latest improvements, including the fine Wessel Nickel Gross action, retailing from \$400 to \$425, now selling for \$258.

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THE IMMENSE PIANO STOCK

Has been thrown on the market at prices lower than has ever been quoted in this or any other store. Stern necessity compels the price cutting. We must dispose of our piano stock at once. Every instrument now on hand is to be closed out at once.

The longer you delay your selection of that long-looked-for piano, the less variety you will have to choose from.

DO NOT PROCRASTINATE, BUT  
COME QUICK. EILERS MUSIC CO.  
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BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Santa Claus finds us with the largest stock of everything in Music of any house in the interior of California.

THE CROWN COMBINOLA has no equal as a Player Piano and would be the best of all Christmas Presents. Call and see it and hear it played.



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ONE DOLLAR NOW and the next payment after Christmas puts in your home a beautiful Columbia Graphophone and a beautiful quarter sawed oak cabinet that holds 250 records and one dozen double side records.

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Many who would like to own a Piano have never purchased, because they could not stand the expense. The opportunity is now presented to you.

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Nature has started you with a constitution that would enable you to live a long and healthy life. But you have allowed yourself to be overcome by the forces of age. You have allowed yourself to be overcome by the forces of age. You have allowed yourself to be overcome by the forces of age.

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## MADERA BUSINESS MEN TO HAVE CLUB

Plan to Convert the Old  
Athletic Hall at Cost of  
\$5000.

MADERA, Dec. 22.—The committee appointed by the business men relative to the cost of changing Athletic hall into a club room for the business men has reported that the club room could be built out and furnished for \$5,000, and recommended that dues be placed at \$4 a month with a \$50 initiation fee. The report was not adopted and a preliminary was substituted putting the fee at \$100 or some less sum to be fixed by the members if the membership would warrant a reduction in the fees. About twenty signed the roll at that figure and the membership committee will circulate the list among the business men in town.

Plans were submitted last night which call for a large bar, a billiard and pool room, cafe and bar room, a card room and office.

County Assessor Bolmer was given the surprise of his life last night, when old friends and neighbors assembled at his home in the Hughes addition and surprised him on the occasion of his birthday. The night was given up to amusement. The assessor received many presents, the most valued of which was a painting of his old home in Tennessee, which was painted by Miss Elsie Hendricks. Miss Hendricks sang "My Old Home in Tennessee," and just as the song was finished the painting was brought in and placed before Mr. Bolmer, which recalled so many recollections of childhood days that it was some time before he could find his voice to utter his thanks. The affair was well planned and the assessor was taken completely by surprise.

The case of Ryan vs. Murphy was postponed until 1 o'clock today owing to the delayed train which prevented Attorney Caldwell, who went to Fresno last night, from reaching here until noon.

The drawing class at the high school placed a fine art exhibit which they will give the public to view. It consists of drawings, etchings, work, posters and plaster work, and is a creditable exhibit.

## BOY SUICIDES AFTER ARREST FOR CRIME

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—Smothering under the hoodlums of a recent arrest, Harry Brown, a youth of 18, committed suicide last night by inhaling gas.

Brown was arrested in San Francisco three weeks ago and returned to this city, charged with having stolen two horses belonging to his father, John Brown, and sold them in Pasadena. He pleaded guilty and was placed in four years' probation. After selling the horses, he was accompanied to San Francisco by a young woman, who deserted him when the money was exhausted.

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Twenty-five cents per box at Kern's, 1014 N. Main, First Street, one-half mile north of Arlington Heights. Being bus or sack



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—LIKE TOADS

These holidays make a lot of sick folks—some of them awfully ill. In spite of all you can do the little folks will overeat Xmas times. Don't fail to give them a CASCARET at bed time and help nature get rid of the overload. It will keep them well and lively.

Buy a 10c box CASCARETS—week's treatment and have it handy to use every night, Xmas week.

One lowest first class fare and one-third for round trip to points where lowest first class one-way fare is under ten dollars.

SALE DATES:

Christmas Tickets—December 23, 24, 25, 1909.

New Year's Tickets—December 30, 31, 1909, and Jan. 1, 1910.

Going Limit—Continuous Passage, commencing date of sale. Return Limit—January 3rd, 1910.

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At 6 months old 35 Doses - 35 CENTS

Exact Copy of Wrapper.

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## FINAL CONTRACTS ARE ON THEIR WAY

Due to Arrive Here Saturday or Sunday; Interurban Road Assured.

According to a telegram received yesterday by F. S. Granger from Chicago, the final contracts for the construction of the proposed Fresno-Hanford line have been mailed and are now on their way to this city. They are expected to arrive here next Saturday or Sunday, and upon their arrival, it was stated yesterday that full details of the construction of the road will be made public.

F. S. Granger and George A. Yuille, who is here representing W. G. Luce, have been engaged for the past two weeks preparing specifications and plans for the proposed construction, and these are now in Chicago.

The sending of the final contracts from that city were contingent upon the arrival of the specifications from Granger and Yuille, and with everything now practically settled, it will in all probability be a matter of a very short while before actual work is started.

## AGRICULTURAL COURSE DISCUSSED BY McLANE

Delivers Short Address at Luncheon of Fresno Realty Board.

C. L. McLane, city superintendent of schools, was the guest of honor at the weekly luncheon of the Fresno Realty Board yesterday at the Sequoia hotel and after the luncheon delivered a short talk on the proposed agricultural course which the board of education is planning to add to the high school with a practical experiment station at Kearney Park.

Superintendent McLane stated that agricultural branches have been established in the schools at Bakersfield, Oxnard and Imperial and he could see no reason why such a branch could not be established in Fresno.

In the course of his talk, Superintendent McLane stated that he had conferred with President Wheeler of the University of California and that the latter had come out unalterably in favor of the proposition. The question of transportation would be the only serious question to such a course as there would be no need for extra teachers. The establishment of such a course would simply transfer the student from one course to another.

It is believed that the students will be able to provide their own transportation, although this matter will be definitely settled later.

Upon motion of W. L. Chappell, a vote of thanks was extended Superintendent McLane for his address.

An invitation has been extended to all the business men of the city to attend these weekly luncheons of the Realty Board. The invitation reads as follows:

"The Fresno Real Estate Board wishes to extend a cordial invitation to every business man in Fresno to meet with them on any Wednesday at their weekly luncheon, which is held either at the Hughes or the Sequoia at 12 o'clock.

"It has been customary of the Real Estate Board to hold these meetings at which public questions are thoroughly discussed, and wishing to extend the scope of this work, it is desired that as large a number as possible of business men meet with us.

"Those desiring to attend these luncheons will see Secretary S. B. Leach in the Board building by 10 a. m. on Wednesday morning."

## CHRISTMAS WEEK RUSH FOR LICENSES

Nineteen Granted in Three Days by the County Since Last Monday Morning.

The Christmas week demand for marriage licenses is at the flood. Nine were granted yesterday, making nineteen for the three first days this week. Licenses given out yesterday were to the following named couples:

Clara A. West, native of Illinois, aged 22, resident of Selma, and Mabel Price, native of Nebraska, aged 23, resident of Malaga.

Grover C. Ohlinger, native of Alabama, aged 24, and Lottie A. Clowdis, aged 21, residents of Fresno.

Guido Londoni, aged 24, and Aurelia Geridoni, aged 24, natives of Italy and residents of Fresno.

J. A. Fluetsch, native of Wisconsin, aged 23, and Maude E. McKeehan, native of Missouri, aged 21, residents of Coalinga.

Perry De Graw, native of Nebraska, aged 24, and Engle Ellen, native of California, aged 18, residents of Clovis.

Maxwell Hernandez, native of Italy, aged 22, and Teodinda Milla, native of Switzerland, aged 19, residents of Fresno.

John M. Miller, native of California, aged 27, resident of Mariposa, and Beattie L. Broke, native of Missouri, aged 22, resident of Selma.

James R. Van Zandt, native of Texas, aged 46, resident of Los Angeles, and Elizabeth F. Cronkrite, native of California, aged 41, resident of Fresno.

E. C. Hamstrom, native of Kansas, aged 28, and Irma J. Poulson, native of Illinois, aged 23, residents of Selma.

Last year the marriage license record for Christmas week was the following: On the 22nd, 13; on the 23rd, 12.

## BIBLE PROHIBITS LARGE FOLLOWING

Editor Fresno Republican:—With your permission we should like to correct a statement made in your issue of Sunday last, that the "Bible Brotherhood" so-called has a big "religious" following, for this can hardly be said to be the case, otherwise the words of Jesus (in reference to this age) would lose their meaning when He said "Narrow is the gate and straightened the way that leadeth unto life and few be they that find it."

And we also desire to say that you must have been wrongly informed as to our having several thousand acres reserved for us near Fresno, as this is a gross exaggeration.

Yours sincerely,  
H. BROOK,  
H. BASCENDALE.

## RETURNS THANKS FOR BENEFIT PLAY

The Humane Society herewith thank the Interpreters' Dramatic Society and Mr. George Osborn and Mr. Lionel Dalton for the very successful theatrical entertainment given on behalf of the society on Friday, December 7, netting the sum of \$365, also to Musicians' Union for gratuitous music, and Mr. Sig Levy for assistance in advertising.

A. V. LEBENBY, Pres.  
WILLIAM HARVEY, SR., Sec.

## NEW COUNTY ATLAS OUT IN FEBRUARY

W. C. Guard was before the supervisors yesterday to present them the purchase for the county house office of a county atlas that will be out of the lithographer's hands in February. The merit of this \$2 to \$4 page publication will be that the property ownership will be corrected up to the 1st of last September, while the mountain regions of the county will show all the roads and trails according to the Prof. Le Conte map. Each page will show a section, or where not thickly populated, several sections of land on a reduced scale. The correct course of the rivers will also be shown. The cities and towns are not given in detailed lot ownership.

## ITALIANS GRATEFUL TO AMERICAN NAVY

NAPLES, Dec. 22.—The Italian Naval League will present to American Consul Crownshield on December 28, the anniversary of the great earthquake in southern Italy, several bronze tablets commemorative of the disaster and the assistance rendered the sufferers by America.

The tablets are intended for the United States vessels, the crews of which aided in the work of rescue and the restoration of homes in Messina and Reggio.

The tablets were provided by a fund collected throughout Italy and in the Italian colonies in foreign cities, particularly New York. Similar tablets will be presented to other foreign ships that took part in the work of succor.

## MAN CUTS BOY'S EAR OPEN WITH BIG KNIFE

John Kurtz Becomes Angry at Youth's Pranks and Attacks Him.

William Harvey, Sr., on behalf of the Fresno Humane Society, made application to Judge Graham yesterday for a warrant for the arrest of John Kurtz for cutting a little boy in the ear with a knife. Truant Officer Stafford brought the boy into court. He said he was playing on some rain-trays and Kurtz made at him with a knife, catching him on the ear and splitting it open. Dr. Alken says it is a serious wound and requires daily attention. Upon examination it was not clear whether the assault was committed in Fresno county or Leimore, which is on the border of Kings county. The court adjourned the application to know whether it was a Fresno county offense or a Kings county offense.

## CHRISTMAS RIFLE KILLS BOY'S MOTHER

PLACERVILLE, Cal., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Rachel Ferguson who lives five miles south of this city came to town yesterday to do Christmas shopping and bought a 22-caliber rifle for her 12-year-old son's Christmas present. On returning home she gave the boy the gun and while he was examining it it was discharged, the bullet entering his mother's abdomen, killing her instantly.

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Rugs	\$1.50 to \$40.00
Lace Curtains, pair	\$2.18 to \$23.20
Portieres	\$7.00 to \$15.00
Couch Covers	\$1.25 to \$16.00
Go-Carts	\$2.25 to \$20.00
Baby High Chairs	\$1.40 and up
Carpet Sweepers	\$2.65 and up
Oak Sideboards	\$24.00 to \$50.00
Combination Bookcases and Sideboards	\$18.00 to \$45.00
Parlor Rockers	\$2.18 to \$23.20
Upholstered Parlor Rockers	\$12.50 to \$35.00
Wicker Rockers	\$5.00 to \$15.00
Bowling Rockers	\$1.85 to \$16.00
Genuine Turkish Rockers	\$22.00 to \$40.00
Morris Chairs	\$17.00 to \$40.00
Ladies' Desks	\$7.25 to \$35.00
Children's Rockers	\$7.50 to \$25.00
Dressing	\$6.50 to \$25.00
Dining Tables	\$7.00 to \$50.00
Parlor Couches	\$12.00 to \$40.00
Library Tables	\$2.00 to \$15.00
Center Tables	\$15.00 to \$35.00

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We feel confident that this company will be producing oil in sixty days and will be on dividend basis in a few months. Other lands are being acquired as fast as their merit is demonstrated.

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## VOTE IS UNANIMOUS ON NEW LIQUOR LAW FOR COUNTY

It Is Passed to Become Effective on the 15th of January.

At Last Moment, Board  
Decides Not to Limit on  
Basis of Electors.

Supervisor Huffman moved to adopt Supervisor Jorgensen's amendment and the board unanimously voted affirmatively yesterday on the final passage of ordinance 131 for the regulation of the sale of intoxicants in the county of Fresno outside of incorporated towns.

This Tells the Story!

## THE CHRISTMAS GIFT PROBLEM SOLVED

A Sensible Present and One  
That Will Always Be  
Appreciated.

Did it ever occur to you how thoroughly appropriate is the Piano or Autopiano as a Christmas gift? It is a present to the whole family and a large circle of friends as well. From it radiates pleasure, not only today, but every day for a lifetime. It is not too good for the least; it is more than good enough for the best. It brings joy to all. It is a gift that will remain permanently in your home after the baubles are destroyed and forgotten. The baby will wonder at it and will learn to play it later; it will keep the boy home evenings and afford the daughter a good money-earning education, should she ever need it, and at the same time it will give her the most charming of accomplishments. No gift carries with it more of the real Christmas spirit, and no gift will be longer remembered.

Why spend good money for knick-knacks and trifles—forgotten the day after they are given? If a Christmas gift has any meaning it should be something to earn the continued appreciation of the person who receives it. Let it be a piano.

### AND SUCH EASY TERMS

The surprising part of this sale is that not only are these pianos for sale at less than the price the small dealers usually pay for them, but any resident of this city and vicinity can buy on such thoroughly advantageous and convenient terms. Pay one-tenth of sale price in cash and the balance will be arranged in convenient payments. Any reasonable requirements will be made while this sale is on, but you must act at once, for at these prices and these terms of payment we must do business quickly. Eight dollars, \$5 or even \$3 a month looks easy, and it is easy. No home need be without a piano now.

Remember the place, the big Piano Exhibition and sale, Eilers Music Company,

846 I STREET.

This is the new ordinance to accord with the city regulation for midnight and Sunday closing.

"You haven't changed that ordinance since yesterday, Manson?" asked Chairman Martin upon Assistant District Attorney McCormick, submitting the revised and corrected draft.

McCormick laughed so heartily over the audaciousness of the inquiry that he swallowed a mouthful of smoke from the cigar but that he was smoking and started a violent fit of coughing. "I do think, though, the ordinance should be read in full in its corrected form to make the proceedings regular," suggested the attorney, and the board members all cocked back in their big easy chairs to be lulled to sleep by the eulogistic effort of Clerk Ewing in reading the twenty-four sections of the fifteen-page typewritten ordinance.

In point of fact the corrected draft did present some new features. The ordinance was passed to take effect and be in force on and after the 15th of next month. At the last moment was stricken out the clause to limit the number of saloons in a voting precinct to one for a given number of registered electors.

The number suggested would have compelled Firebaugh, with its present fourteen or fifteen saloons, to worry through life with only four, and Mr. Jorgensen did not fancy the prospect while supervisor to be the official arbitrator to decide who should be classed as fish and who as fowl.

"One saloon to 100 registered voters is about the right proportion," remarked Mitchell.

The others of the board thought so too. "But I don't think we ought to advertise Fresno as distributing saloons around in the county according to the voting population," supplemented the supervisor from Sanger.

The others of the board also agreed to this and so the limitation clause was stricken out of the ordinance.

A license holder must hereafter be a citizen, and one "who has not had a permission for a license for the sale of liquor in the state of California revoked during any time preceding his application." No one conducting a saloon or engaged in the liquor business, either as partner, owner, employee or servant or otherwise, is qualified to sign recommendation for a saloon license.

Prohibitions of the ordinance do not apply to the sale of liquor for bona fide medical purposes by a druggist upon written prescription.

To the sale or furnishing of wine or beer by any citizen when served between 5 a. m. and midnight of the same day in quantities not less than a pint and in the original package to be consumed on the premises when furnished as a part of a bonafide meal at any licensed hotel or restaurant.

To the sale of vinous liquors by a winery in which the annual product exceeds 2000 gallons, nor of malt liquors by any licensed brewery.

Violation or assisted violation or evasion of any term of the section is a misdemeanor with \$25 to \$500 fine or imprisonment not to exceed ninety days, or by both.

Specific definitions are given of hotel and restaurant, the latter to have a table in a dining room in which there is no bar. In no hotel or restaurant or elsewhere, without having the permission or license shall vinous or malt liquors be sold, furnished, given away or served to any one who has not at the same time actually purchased in such restaurant a bona fide meal costing exclusive of the liquor furnished not less than 25 cents. A meal and bona fide meal is the same in the county ordinance as in the city, sandwiches, or lunches, or cheese and crackers or dishes of food, as a substitute not to be considered as a bona fide meal.

Partitions between booth, box, room or curtained-off place and the main room of restaurant or eating house must not exceed six feet in height. No sale is countenanced of vinous malt or spirituous liquors except at a fixed place of business, this to prohibit peddling.

Every existing liquor license will continue in force until January 1, 1911, and not longer. Every violation of the ordinance is made to work the immediate forfeiture of the permit for a license and the license as well.

**RICH WIDOW MURDERED.**  
PARIS, Dec. 22.—The police have decided that Madame Gouin, widow of the late Jules Edouard Gouin, governor of the Bank of France, whose body was found under a train near this city last Thursday, was murdered while she was occupying an apartment on the train.

The family has offered a reward of \$5000 for the apprehension of the murderer. The conclusion of the police, that death was not accidental, was based upon the examination of finger marks made in blood upon a curtain in the railway apartment. The finger prints, proved to be those of a man.

**WOMEN'S COLLEGE DEANS.**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The deans of women's departments in the state universities closed their conference here by adopting resolutions touching questions connected with the education of women.

The resolutions declare in favor of an increase in the number and variety of technical courses open to women; limiting the number of students in a dormitory to no more than seventy-five and providing a scholarship standard as a qualification for sorority membership.

**CARRIES TYPHOID GERMS.**  
NORFOLK, Dec. 22.—Harry Harrison Comstock, the Norfolk dairyman delivered by the local authorities as a carrier of typhoid germs, has gone to Baltimore to submit to expert medical examination. Comstock, who came from Paris, Ill., and served in the U. S. army before leaving here, says that being unable to find other work he will be forced to re-enlist in the army.

**WAGE DISPUTE UNSETTLED.**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Ray, president of the Union railroad, and J. A. Newman, vice president of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, arbitrators of the wage dispute between the Illinois Central railroad and its telegraphers, were unable here today to agree on a third arbitrator and will resume their deliberations tomorrow.

**MILLIONS INVOLVED IN A WATER RIGHTS SUIT**

TORREON, Mexico, Dec. 22.—The entire supreme court of Mexico is now sitting here to decide the case of the Tlahualilo Plantation Company against the Mexican government for \$12,000,000 for forfeiture of water rights, which the company alleges has been made perpetual in the concession which the company obtained when it was formed.

**NO CHRISTMAS PRESENTS: MOTHER KILLS HERSELF**

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—Rather than face her six children Christmas morning without presents of the money to buy them, Mrs. Sarah Emile of this city, went into her kitchen, turned on the gas and ended her life.

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.**

Our office will be open as usual this Thursday morning for regular transaction of business. The only thing destroyed was our office fixtures, all our records, records in our fireproof vault undamaged.

We are as usual prepared to write fire insurance in the best insurance companies on the coast. We wish to thank the Fresno Fire Department for its splendid work in putting out the fire so quickly. Wishing all a Merry Xmas, EWING-McDANIEL CO., 1026 I St.



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After taking several doses, all pains in the back, aches or pains, rheumatic twinges, nervousness, headache, sleeplessness, inflamed or swollen eyelids, dizziness, tired or worn-out feeling and other symptoms of clogged, sluggish kidneys simply vanish.

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from your druggist and start taking as directed, with the knowledge that there is no other medicine at any price, made anywhere else in the world, which is so harmless or will effect so thorough and prompt a cure.

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PRINTERS' INK PAYS

## BUGMAN SCHELL HOLDS OVER UNDER THE OLD LAW

Supervisors' Majority Refuses to Appoint Under the New.

Attorney McCormick Advises Board Cannot Remove Incumbent.

An effort was made yesterday afternoon by Supervisor Johnson, with the second of Supervisor Mitchell, to have Horticultural Commissioner S. C. Schell appointed under the new law of the last session of the Legislature, as the only eligible candidate certified to the board under that law by the state board of horticultural examiners after having passed an advertised examination.

The effort failed, because Supervisors Jorgensen, Huffer and Martin voted against the motion.

A singular state of affairs was presented to the board. Assistant District Attorney McCormick advised the board that Schell holds for two years under the appointment of one year ago under the old law. More than that, that the board cannot vacate the office, because the new law has not abolished the office, but continued it.

So much for the appointment under the old law by the board which went out of office one year ago. And under the new law it would appear no one could be appointed other than Schell because he is the only one reported to have passed the examination last month. In other words, the incumbent holds for another year under the old law, the board cannot vacate the office and no one save Schell can at the present time be appointed under the new law. The result is that Schell holds over at reduced pay under the old law and the loss of considerable official prestige and he received the appointment under the new law.

What the majority of the board asked at the new law was first a four year term, secondly a raise of pay to \$6 per day when actually on duty, thirdly to give Schell the power to divide the county into districts and appoint a local inspector at his discretion in each district at \$3.50 a day, and fourthly with the consent and approval of the supervisors appoint two deputies (from the list of certified eligibles and there is no such list now) at \$3 a day for every day actually employed. This was going some and Hold Over Commissioner Schell persona non grata to the majority of the board members, because of the manner of his appointment by a coup d'etat under the old law.

It was Supervisor Johnson that brought up the subject of the commission yesterday afternoon before the adjournment of the December session. He invited Assistant District Attorney McCormick to advise the board and the law on the report of the board of examiners for the appointment of Schell under the law of March 6, 1909. Mr. McCormick accepted the invitation and the result was manifestly to chagrin the supervisor from the third and indeed perhaps also the other members of the board.

The attorney advised that the order of Schell's appointment for two years is in force and that he holds until the expiration of his term under the old law. The new law has not abolished the office. It may possibly have intended to do so by implication, but certainly does not in express terms, nor pretend to repeal the law of appointment. While providing a new mode of making the appointment, it does not terminate the position.

Mr. McCormick gave it as his opinion that so long as the old law office exists and continues under the new law, the incumbent holds and he cannot be vacated, save in the provided mode for removal. The Legislature can terminate or continue. It has not terminated the position and the office, according to his views, exists despite the confusion of the 1909 law.

Johnson asked what then is the necessity for the new law? Is it unconstitutional?

McCormick would not go that far, explaining in further answer that under the new law the commissioner is a county official under the state law qualification. The incumbent was appointed to a created office under the terms of a law then in force and for a given term, and the board has not authority to vacate. Regardless of any act, unless it abolishes the office, the incumbent holds independent of the examination. An analogous case was pointed out in the supervisors themselves, some of whom are on fixed salary and others not because elected at different times and under different laws.

"Even if Schell had not taken the examination, we couldn't have put in another," asked Jorgensen.

"I reply was in the affirmative," Johnson insisted that the office does not exist and asked what would follow if the board does not act under the new law and name in twenty days the person certified to be eligible after the examination?

McCormick replied that the incumbent would hold over.

Mitchell favored compliance with the new act and not throw out any one.

Johnson said he had been advised previously from the district attorney, Schell had conformed to the law and has his certificate of eligibility. It can do no harm to appoint under the new law, which he insisted vacates the commissioner's office.

The motion was put before the house with the result stated above.

There was sarcastic colloquy between Johnson and Mr. McCormick as to the personality of the latter's views which the attorney was ready to concede, and Johnson made request that the board's legal adviser give his opinion in writing. Mr. McCormick said he would have done so, but he had been so busy with the drafting of the liquor ordinance.

## STIRRING COLLEGE PLAY AT EMPIRE

Manager Hoen Presents  
"College Chums" for  
Christmas Week.

Of the many college plays that have been written and presented during the last couple of years, a few possess real merit and will be popular in years to come. Many of them depended upon some stirring incident, a boat race or football game, to attract the public, while the few that have survived are strong in plot and replete with dramatic situations. Of the latter class, "College Chums," the bill now running at the Empire, is the best example. It contains all the elements that go to make a great play—heart interest, strong plot, lots of rich comedy, pretty costumes and beautiful scenery. The setting in the heart of the Adirondacks, has attracted many persons for a second visit to the theater this week. The incidents in the play are as varied and the situations follow in such rapid succession that interest is maintained at the highest pitch until the final curtain.

Manager Hoen has solved the problem of heating the building, and a pleasant and profitable evening is assured to all who enjoy a clean, strong play presented in a most capable manner.

**MARRIED BY TELEPHONE.**  
PEACOS, Texas, Dec. 22.—Rev. H. M. Smith of this town last night performed a wedding ceremony by telephone uniting Miss Dorothy Flowers and Kyle Lovejoy, who were in Toynah, twenty miles away. The wedding pair were in the telephone office at Toynah, and each held a receiver to the ear and replied to the questions of the clergyman at the other end of the wire. Then they clasped hands and together heard the minister pronounce them man and wife.

**MUST ANSWER FOR FRAUD.**  
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—L. R. Landis, arrested yesterday on a charge of having obtained money by false pretense was arraigned today and held under \$3000 bail for preliminary examination Friday. George W. Wason, who swore to the complaint, alleges that Landis made misrepresentations with regard to mining property at Placita, Nev.

It is asserted at the district attorney's office that the charge on which Landis was arrested is one of a number against him. Several witnesses have been summoned from Salt Lake.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WANTS CLEANER CITY

Resolutions Are Passed in Favor of Improving Conditions.

At the regular meeting of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce last night, the principal matter was a discussion of movements for bettering the appearance of this city. President Hobbs reported that the Southern Pacific Company had been conferred with regarding the paving of that section lying between the depot and Mariposa and Tulare streets and that everything was favorable for the early accomplishment of this.

The unsightly condition of many vacant lots in this city, including that portion of the Santa Fe reservation bordering on Tulare street, was also discussed and upon motion the secretary was instructed to address the city trustees, stating that the Chamber of Commerce would cooperate with it in securing an enforcement of the ordinance regarding the cleaning up of such places.

"There is a city ordinance providing for this, but it has not been enforced and as a result private parties, such as the freshmen of the High school, have undertaken to clean up to some extent. There is an ordinance requiring owners the keep vacant lots and unoccupied property clean and an effort will be made to see that it is enforced."

Another matter taken up was the proposed improvement of the cemetery. The neglected manner in which this place is kept has aroused the interest of various organizations, but last night, the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution promising its assistance and cooperation in any movement for the cleaning up and beautifying of this place.

A letter was received from Victor Come of the drainage department, in which he asked that the Chamber of Commerce pass resolutions favoring an increased appropriation for the drainage service during the coming year and forward the same to the congressional representatives from this district. The resolution was passed and will be forwarded to Washington.

**MINER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.**  
CHICO, Cal., Dec. 22.—John Matson, a miner on route from Coram, Shasta county, to Lovelock, Nevada, cut his throat with a razor on the train near there this morning. He was taken from the train and is now in a bad way. He has a brother living at Lovelock and had given up his position at the Coram smelter to go and spend Christmas with his relative.

**SMASHES HIS AEROPLANE.**  
HEMPSTEAD, L. I., Dec. 22.—P. L. Smith of Easton, Pa., made an unsuccessful attempt to fly today in an airplane of his own construction. After rising for a moment in the air the machine fell to the ground, smashing one of the planes. Smith says he will make another attempt.

**MORE "DRY" TERRITORY.**  
WINNIPEG, Dec. 22.—As a result of the local option vote in Manitoba yesterday afternoon, more territory was added to the seventy which previously voted against the saloon. There are fifty counties which still remain "wet." Twenty-one voted for the use yesterday.

## REMARKABLE RECORD OF TWO-YEAR VINES

How's this for a 2-year-old vineyard of 23 acres—18 tons and 1800 pounds of sweet raisins and 40 tons of second crop?

That is the record made by the J. M. Pugh place in Kutter colony, in the rich Fancher creek district. The figures are those of packing house and winery.

When it is considered that a ton of raisins in here is a full general yield for a mature vineyard and a ton and a half an exceptionally good yield, the production of these 2-year-old vines is remarkable. Mr. Pugh believes he holds the 2-year-old record.

## FRESNO SENATORS DON'T WANT BRYAN

That William Jennings Bryan is not the man to run as the Democratic candidate for the presidency again was decided last night by the Democratic caucus at the regular meeting of the High school senate. After spirited discussion, Governor Folk of Missouri was chosen to head the Democratic party.

A Democratic national convention was a special order for the evening, and as a result the attendance was very large. After cheers for Folk, the senators adjourned to the banquet room, concluding the evening with the following sentimental yell:

"Ricky, Ricky, Ricky, Ricky, We're the fellows that take the cake; 'Tis no lie, 'tis no bluff, Fresno Senate is hot stuff."

**GERMAN STEAMER ASHORE.**  
LONDON, Dec. 22.—The German freight steamer Salath went ashore at Dungeness, a headland projecting into the English channel, during a gale today. The vessel was bound from Tacoma via various ports for Hamburg.

**FLORIDA JURIST DIES.**  
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22.—Judge B. S. Liddon of Marianna, Fla., former chief justice of the Supreme court of Florida, is dead here.

## SHAKE IT OFF

Rid Yourself of Unnecessary Burdens. A Fresno Citizen Shows You How.

Don't bear unnecessary burdens. Burdens of a bad back are unnecessary.

Get rid of them. Doan's Kidney Pills cure bad backs; cure lame, weak and aching backs; cure every form of kidney ills. Lots of local endorsement in price this.

Mrs. Barthelia Ellis, 137 1 Street, Fresno, Cal., says: "I was a great sufferer from kidney trouble the principal symptom being too frequent passages of the kidney secretions. I also suffered from dizzy spells and there was a constant lameness in my back. I was sure and still in the morning and was hardly able to get around. I took many remedies, but they did not seem to reach my case and I despaired of ever getting relief. Doan's Kidney Pills were finally brought to my attention and I procured a box at Baker & Colson's drug store. I began to feel a great deal better after I had taken the contents of the first box and soon every symptom of my trouble disappeared. Doan's Kidney Pills are certainly a fine kidney remedy and in view of my experience, I have no hesitation in recommending them to all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-McBarn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

# Order Everything For Xmas at Dorsey's

Closed All Day Saturday.  
Open Evenings Until Christmas.

### Some Grocery Items

Asparagus—H. B. large white asparagus, tender and delicious; special at 35¢ a can, 3 for \$1.00. Dozen ..... \$3.75  
H. B. Asparagus Tips, can 25¢. Dozen ..... \$2.50  
Garden Peas—Our famous "Old" brand. They melt in your mouth; 4 cans for ..... \$1.75  
Dozen cans ..... \$1.75  
Pineapple—Sliced Pineapple, best grade; large can ..... 20¢  
Coffee—The Chase and Southern "Gold" brand coffee, the kind sold everywhere at 10¢ per lb., now here at ..... 40¢  
Mixed Nuts—All kinds, best grades. 20¢ per lb.; 3 lbs for 50¢

### Vegetables—Fruits

Give us your order for the fruits and vegetables for your Christmas dinner. We will have special assortment of the choicest and freshest fruits and vegetables from the local and coast growers.

### Our Pastry

To be sure of the most delicious pastry for the Christmas dinner you must send your order to us. Our pastry, we are told daily, is unmatched anywhere in purity and wholesomeness, and it is the most palatable pastry ever made. We will have special assortments of pies and cakes for the occasion, and all will be found at surprisingly low prices for the quality. Please send in your order early.

### Table Fruits

Our assortment of canned Table Fruits includes the purest and best grades put up. If you need anything in this line we will supply it, your order early.

## Gift Suggestions from Our Hardware Department

**WIRELESS COOKER**—1 compartment size; reduced now from \$3.50 to ..... \$2.75  
**FOOD CHOPPER**—With four cutting knives ..... \$1.25  
**CARPET SWEEPER**—A fine gift for your wife; a regular \$3.25, sweeper ..... \$2.75  
**COAT HANGERS**—6 wire hangers for ..... 25¢  
**SLEEVE BOARD**—The kind worth regularly 30¢ each, at ..... 25¢  
**FLOUR SIFTERS**—Extra strong, worth 25¢. Special at ..... 15¢  
**ANDROCK THASTERS**—25¢ kind, for ..... 10¢  
**25¢ PRUNING KNIVES**—With 2 blades ..... 15¢  
**10¢ PANCAKE TURNERS**—Special ..... 5¢  
**ROUND GRATERS**—Grate coarse or fine, the kind for ..... 10¢  
**COCOA BOOR MATS** Special at ..... 65¢

**75¢ LANTERNS**—Complete for ..... 65¢

Our very best Silverware; fully guaranteed.

Knives and Forks, set of 4, each ..... \$3.00

Ten Spoons to match, set of 6 ..... 95¢

Table Spoons, set of 6 ..... \$1.75

Curving Sets ..... \$2.00 to \$7.00

Percolators ..... \$3.50 to \$4.00

Ladies' Good Form Clothes Sets ..... \$2.00

Gentlemen's Good Form Clothes Sets ..... \$2.00

Nut Sets, cracker and 6 picks ..... 50¢

Aluminum Salt and Pepper Shakers, 4½ set for ..... 25¢

Electric Foot Warmers ..... \$2.25

Electric Irons \$4.50 to \$5.50

Send Raisins and Figs—and Get Them Here

# Dorsey-Robinson Co.

1155-57 J Street Phone Main 15

WHOLESALE



RETAIL

December 23-24, 1909

# THE NEW ENGLAND MARKET

On the above mentioned date will open the largest, best equipped, most sanitary and modern market in the San Joaquin Valley. This new market has a refrigerator capacity for

50 Dressed Beeves, 200 Sheep,  
100 Hogs and 100 Calves at the Same Time.

There are separate refrigerator boxes for meats, fish, poultry, vegetables and fruits. The counters are glass refrigerators, so that no cut meats, fish, poultry and game will at any time be exposed to the outside atmosphere.



Any customer having an account at the "Park Market" on K street or the "West Side Cash Market" can trade at the "New England Market" on the same account; that its accounts are interchangeable between all of our stores. We handle a full line of live and dressed poultry and are in the market at all times to buy poultry, game, etc., in any quantity. The public is cordially invited to attend our opening Thursday and Friday evenings.

## The New England Market

White Packing Company.

1027 I Street

Fresno, California

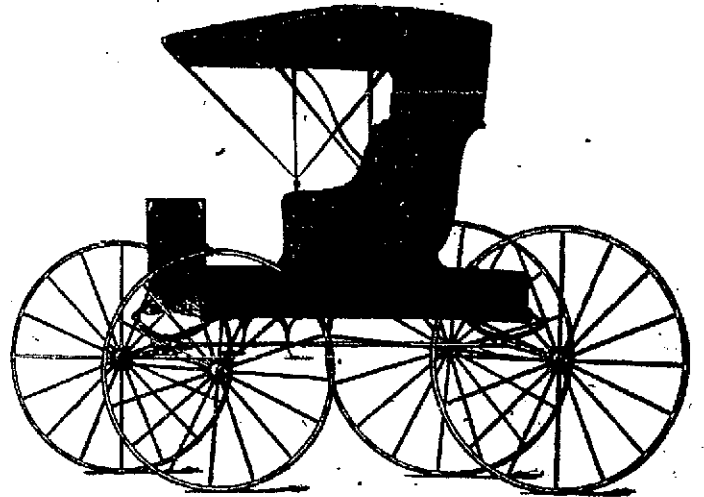
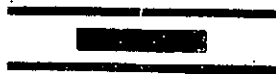
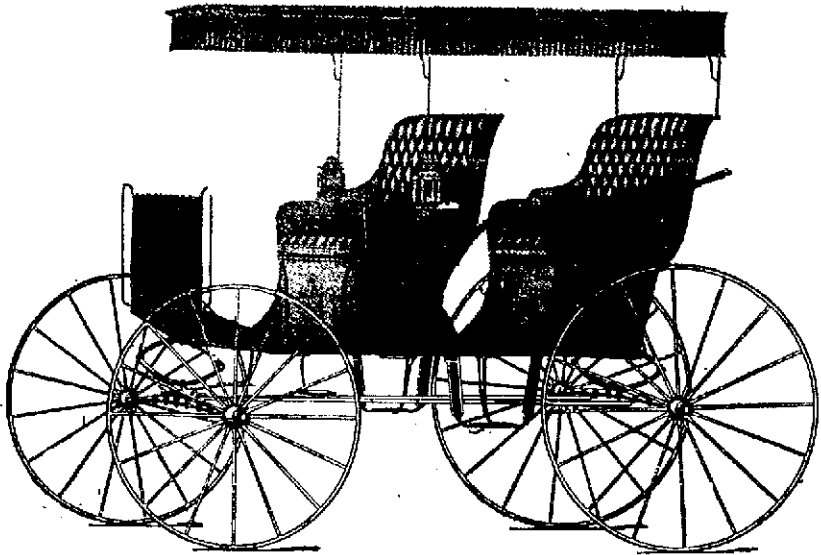
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W. A. WHITE, Pres. and Manager.

A. J. FROWING, Vice-Pres. and Asst. Manager.

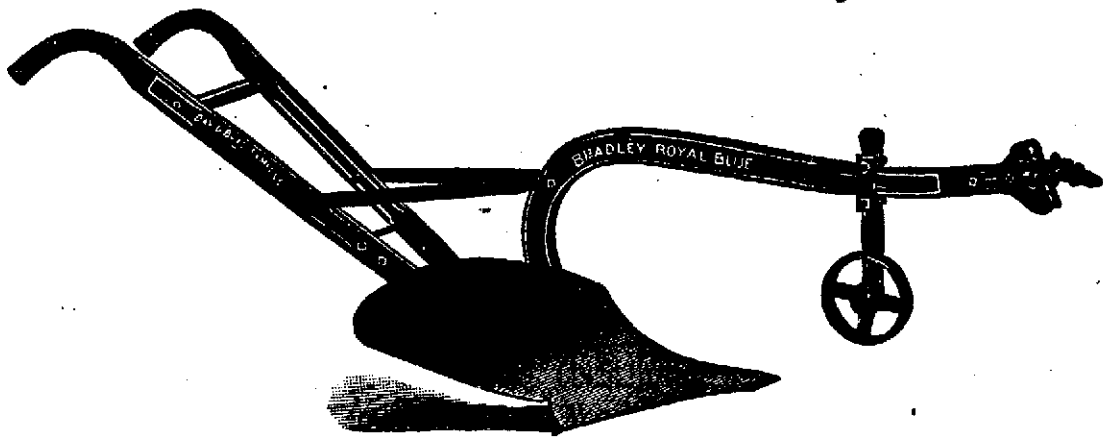


# Everything IN THE Vehicle and Farming Tool Lines



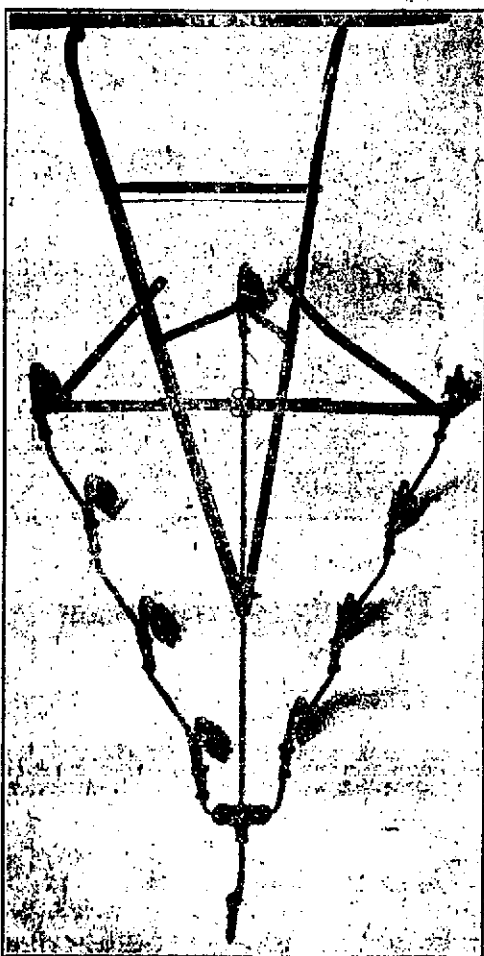
We Have the Largest Vehicle Stock in the San Joaquin Valley. Come in and See Our Lines.

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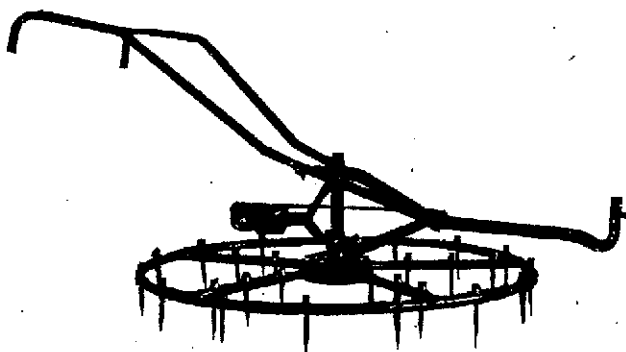


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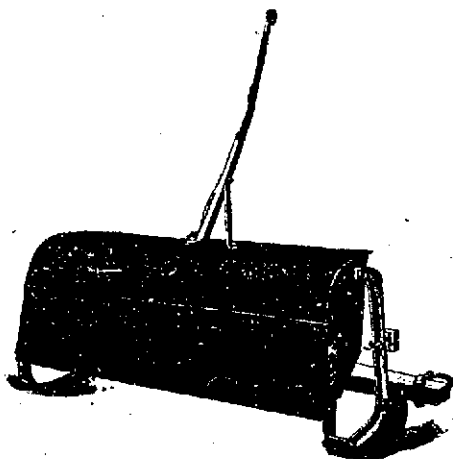
The Royal Blue--Our Most Popular Plow--All Sizes.



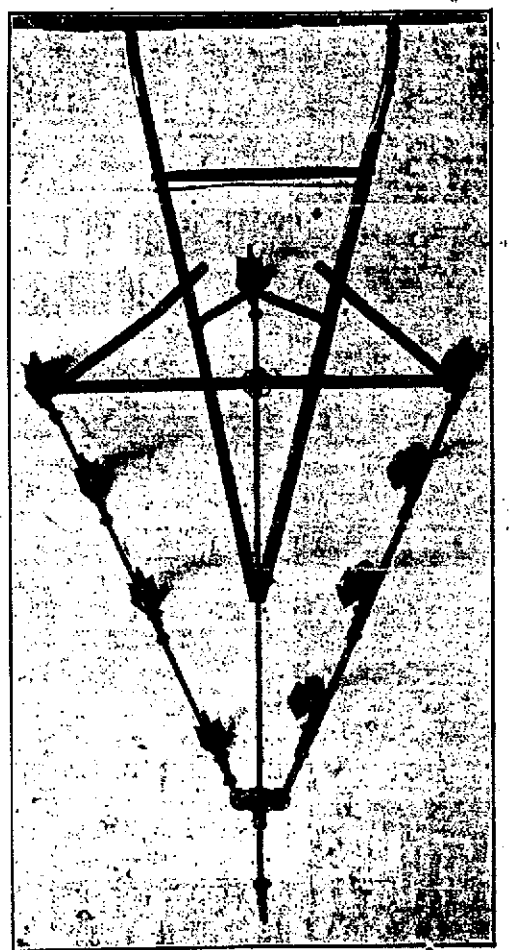
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All Metal Revolving Harrow---Our Own  
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Straight Frame 9-Shovel Cultivator  
Wide Spread.

Send for Our New Catalog--76 Pages of Farming Tools and Vehicles.

## The Woodward Co., Incorporated

THE BIG IMPLEMENT STORE---27,000 Square Feet  
of Floor Space. . .

On the Corner of J and Kern Streets 3 Blocks South of Grand Central Hotel

# EXTRA WEIGHT TELLS ON BOGGS AND FAVORITE LOSES CLAREMONT HANDICAP AT EMERYVILLE TRACK

LOS ANGELES AVIATION  
WEEK IS AUTHORIZED

**HAVEN**  
1846-1851 K STREET

BUREAU OF MINES  
IS BADLY NEEDED

**-AUTO CO**  
PHONE MAIN

The plan to decapitate John Heydler, president of the National League, is by no means a popular move, Jud-

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**CY LEONARD CHOSEN  
TO ACT AS OFFICIAL**

flag station on the Temiskaming Northern Ontario railroad, fifty north of here, was murdered last Dyson was trying to eject one when another rushed in and hit him with a club, crushing his skull. The murderer escaped.

**RETAINS TITLE.**

BOSTON, December 23.—A brilliant run of seventy, within nine balls, the world's record, kept Tom Hoost of St. Louis, world's champion pitcher, ahead of Bernie Allen of Kansas City, by the second block of a

Cor. I and Mono Street  
Phone Main 30

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## MINERS WOULD REALIZE ON PARADISE GOLD MINE LIENS

Fowler Nurserymen at Law  
Over Character of Vine  
Rootings.

Last Testament of George  
H. Steitz Offered for  
Probate.

Judge Austin partially heard yesterday and then continued until January 5th the further trial of the case of M. C. McClung against the Paradise Gold Mining Company of Santa Barbara.

The action is to foreclose twelve miners' liens, running in sums from \$45 to \$106.25, for work done in May and June last on the fifteen mining claims of the company, covering 300 acres, near Trimmer, in the Sycamore district. The singular feature of the case is the attempt to foreclose on property of the company for work and labor done on its property. It is true, but for another person as the company publicly disclaimed all liability.

The miners worked in fact for Dr. Robert Lyall of Los Angeles, who it appears had an agreement with the company through Frank Smith, its vice president, and G. W. Gorham, its secretary, to buy at 15 cents a share, 257,000 shares, held by Gorham for owners, with the privilege to go on the ground to develop the mines, paying the company one-half of the gold extracted from the soil. Lyall's superintendent on the ground hired the unpaid laborers, and while the development work was in progress to satisfy Lyall as to the character of his purchase, the company posted at the mines a notice that it would not be financially responsible for any of the work done.

The further trial yesterday had to be postponed because of the unexpected absence of out of town witnesses, and yet in view of the peculiar features of the case the son of Dr. Lyall as the bookkeeper at the mines was called to the witness stand and testified to the work done by the miners and that they were hired for his father, McClung sues in his own behalf and as the assignee of the other miner claimants.

## For Christmas

Holly Wreaths  
Christmas Berries  
Fern Dish Plants  
Fancy Baskets  
Cut Flowers  
House Plants  
Xmas Bells and Garlands

Miss Kate Parsons

FLORIST

1913 Fresno St. Main 469

JAPS ARE THERE STRONG.  
Judge Church's court room had an oriental aspect yesterday with the presence of a large number of Japanese summoned as witnesses on the trial of the case of H. Nelson against H. Sumida, all of Fowler, to recover \$2,500 damages, Everts & Ewing for the plaintiff and Attorneys Kauke and St. John for the defendants. Nelson sues as the assignee of the Fowler Nursery and Warehouse Company in which he and Paul H. Hutchinson are interested.

The cause of action is based on allegations that in January, 1907, contract was made for the purchase from Sumida of a nursery of 40,700 rooted Alaska vines, true to name, at \$11 a thousand and that instead about 20,000 of the delivered vines were of other rootings of an inferior grade. The vines were sold to customers of the company as true to name and not coming up to the representations the damage is sought for loss of custom.

The nurseryman denies that the sale was made on a guarantee such as represented, but that it was according to samples as shown in nurseries pointed out near Fowler, and that the character of these rootings being known, the plaintiffs purchased with their eyes open and knowing what he was about to buy.

## WANTS HER ALIMONY.

The defendant in the case of Martha Romer, who was divorced from Lorenz Romer in April last, was given two weeks yesterday to realize \$25 to be paid as alimony. She was awarded monthly alimony but has not been paid a cent. He pleaded yesterday that he is in debt for \$150, had not worked steadily because of illness and when working has been earning not more than \$10 a week. He is a bartender for the Subway saloon. In her divorce action, she charged him with dissolute habits, ignoring her for the company of lewd women, even to squandering in dissipation with them \$1,400 which she had advanced him to start him in business.

## OFFERED FOR PROBATE.

Ben Epstein has submitted for probate the will of George H. Steitz, who died on the 30th of last month. Estate consists of four lots in city block 230 valued at \$650 and 37.41 acres in 6-15-22 of the further value of \$7,000. Epstein is named in the will as executor. The heirs and nearest of kin are the widow, Catharine Steitz, aged 65 years, two sons and two daughters and a grandson.

## COURT NOTES.

Notice has been filed of the intention to move for a new trial in the case of the Coalinga Pacific Oil and Gas Company in which judgment was given for oil delivered made.

W. Swafford has sued L. B. Cory and C. L. Seagraves to recover \$350.50 with interest from January 15, 1908, as a balance due on a claim of \$689.50 for work done in boring wells for water on premises of Seagraves.

Divorces are sought in complaints by Zella Epps from William Epps and by Viola Stickles from Emmett Stickles.

## ACQUITTED OF EMBEZZLEMENT.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 22.—Ben Lauer, head of the firm of E. Lauer & Sons, merchants and bankers of Alturas Modoc county, has just been acquitted of embezzlement of funds belonging to the city and which were alleged to have been placed on special deposit in the Lauer bank, according to news received here today. Lauer was indicted by the Modoc county grand jury last November. The trial occupied several days of last week.

## SIX YEARS' TERM FOR WARRINER

Man Who Stole from Railroad Asks for Immediate Sentence.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—With a request that sentence be pronounced immediately, Charles L. Warriner, defaulting cashier of the Big Four railroad, pleaded guilty to embezzlement today and was sentenced to six years' hard labor in the state penitentiary.

The plea of guilty was made by pre-arrangement between the county prosecutor and Warriner's attorneys and the sentence of the court brings to a close one chapter of the story of a theft of at least \$543,000, with its attendant sensational charges of years of blackmail with a woman as the dominant figure.

Warriner will make one more public appearance before the doors of the penitentiary close behind him. On Monday Mrs. Jeanette Stewart-Ford will be brought to trial on a charge of blackmail and the principal witness against her will be the man whom she is alleged to have driven from crime to crime for ten years.

When Warriner's lawyers entered a plea of guilty, their client raised his head and made a wild, passionate declaration of the agonies he had suffered in the years that high in the confidence of his employers, he had been engaged in systematic theft.

He concluded with the appeal for an immediate sentence. Although sentenced to six years normally this term can be reduced by good behavior to slightly less than four years. Warriner may be brought to trial again on numerous other counts, but Prosecutor Hunt said this would not be done unless it was found that the prisoner had concealed part of the proceeds of his thefts.

## CANDIDATE TO SUCCEED DICK.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—In a formal statement issued last night Harry M. Daugherty of Columbus declared himself a candidate for United States senator to succeed Charles Dick. When Senator Dick learned of the announcement he said he did not care to comment on it.

## FOR ARMY COMPETITION.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Lieutenant W. M. Clifton, Jr., of the Thirtieth cavalry, has been designated by the War Department as captain of the army cavalry team to compete in the national rifle match for 1910, and Lieut. George C. Shaw of the Twenty-seventh infantry as captain of the army infantry team.

## LORD MONKSWELL DEAD.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Lord Monkswell, president of the Anti-Slavery and Aborigines Protective Society, died today.

Lord Monkswell had been a frequent visitor to the United States and was one of the British representatives at the International expositions of Chicago and St. Louis.

## MUST KEEP OUT CHINESE.

SMALLPOX FROM ISLANDS. AMOY, China, Dec. 22.—The officials of the American marine hospital announce the presence of a smallpox epidemic in Amoy. Quarantine regulations for the protection of the Philippines have been inaugurated.

## WU EXPECTS TO LIVE TWO HUNDRED YEARS

So Declares to Washington Business Men Who Bid Him Farewell.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Dr. Wu Ting Fang, retiring Chinese Minister, promised a delegation of farewell visitors today he would return to the United States for a visit fifty years hence if he did not sooner make the trip.

Incidentally, the minister said he saw no reason why a man should not live to be 200 years of age if he met no accident and did not get sick, at the same time inferentially suggesting he expected to make his span of life cover the 200-year period.

A large delegation of business men of this city called on the minister to express their appreciation of him personally and the hope that he would return as minister of China.

## INCENDIARY FIRE IN APARTMENT HOUSE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A sensational rescue, a semi-panic in an adjoining hospital and operations of sneak thieves in nearby buildings were features of an incendiary fire in an East Thirty-third street apartment building today.

Two men had narrow escapes from death, one being swung across an air shaft, dangling from a rope's end and another plunging through the glass of a closed window several feet away to escape death by fire.

The fire starting on the fourth floor, found oil-soaked woodwork to feed upon and the hallways were soon filled with smoke, cutting off escape by the ordinary exits. Most of the tenants were rescued from the fire escapes.

## COSTLY CHURCH IS BURNED IN RENO

RENO, Nev., Dec. 22.—Fire of unknown origin, which started in the vicinity of the Wheelman theater last night, consumed that building, completely destroyed the new St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic church adjoining and threatened to ruin the Century Club building. The damage is estimated at \$100,000.

The loss of the church, which was built through the efforts of Father Tubman after a former loss by fire four years ago, is estimated at \$65,000, covered by \$20,000 insurance.

The Wheelman theater building cost \$15,000 and the insurance amounts to \$8,000. The loss on the Century Club building will be in excess of \$10,000.

## HISTORIAN ADMITS PAPERS FORGERIES

Austrian Legislators Withdraw Suit Caused By Serbian Charges.

VIENNA, Dec. 22.—The trial of the libel actions brought by deputies of the Croatian diet and the Hungarian parliament against the Austrian historian, Dr. Friedjung, ended today in a compromise. Last March Dr. Friedjung, in publishing articles, accused the Serbian government of endeavoring, through its agents, to incite a popular rising in Bosnia, Croatia and South Hungary, and also charged the plaintiff deputies with having received Serbian bribes to promote such a rising.

Today Friedjung admitted that the most important documents adduced in support of his assertions were forgeries, whereupon the plaintiffs withdrew their suit.

## STRAIGHTFORWARD PROPOSITION

This Should Be Carefully Investigated.

Look into this before it is too late. If the saving of money is an object. Here are the largest size warranted case Schirmer Upright for \$117. They are considered worth \$250.

Then look at these new Mathuscka, for which many of your friends have paid \$450, and even \$550. Here during this sale you can get almost two of these pianos for this money. On easy monthly payments, too, if you desire, you can have the regular \$300 styles which have sold even in the East for \$275, can now be secured for \$137, and the fancy styles, also having the three pedals, are now offered for \$156. Not necessary to pay all cash down, either. No one in Fresno will live long enough to see such choice makes as these new Chickering's, Decker, Sohmer, Kimball, Steinway, Emerson, Lester, Schubert and other fine pianos sold within \$150 of the prices at which we are now offering them. This seems simply preposterous, but nevertheless it is true.

See these beautiful fancy mahogany, English oak or mottled walnut-cased cabinet Grand Upright Pianos, regular retail price \$550, now \$337 and \$350—\$30 down and \$12 a month buys them.

And these fancy genuine English mottled walnut, regular \$500 styles, for \$287—\$25 down and \$10 a month if you like.

All these pianos are new. All are fully guaranteed, and any piano sold at this sale that is not found exactly as represented after delivery can be returned without paying another dollar upon the contract, or piano can be returned and money will be refunded if desired. Bear this in mind. Everything shall be found here open and above board and as represented, or no sale.

## REMEMBER THE PLACE, 946 I STREET, EILERS MUSIC CO., OPPOSITE HUGHES HOTEL.

## PROPOSES TO BUILD AMERICAN EMBASSIES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Provision for the purchase of the buildings occupied by the Berlin and Paris embassies of the United States at a cost not exceeding \$250,000 each will be proposed in a bill which Chairman Perkins of the House committee on foreign affairs will introduce shortly after Congress reconvenes in January.

The plans for the proposed building in Berlin are already on file at the State Department. The building contemplated in Paris is the one on the Cours la Reine between the Champs Elysee and the river Seine, used by Ambassador White and to be used by Robert O. Bacon.

## FIVE MEN INJURED IN MINE EXPLOSION

McALESTER, Okla., Dec. 22.—Five men were injured, two seriously, in an explosion at Congier's mine No. 2, near here, today.

GOODMAN'S  
INC.

# Annual Clearance Sale Is Still In Progress

Corner I & Mariposa Streets

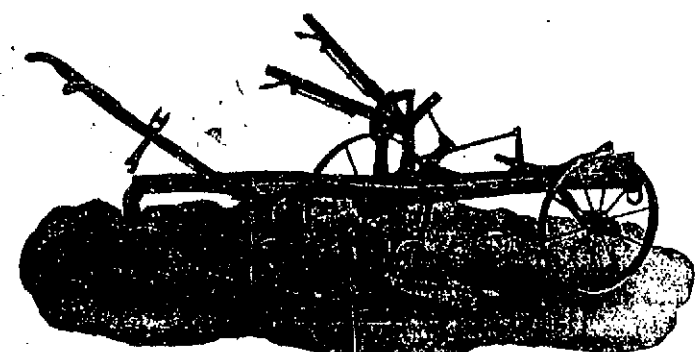
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# SOUVENIR IMPLEMENT DAY

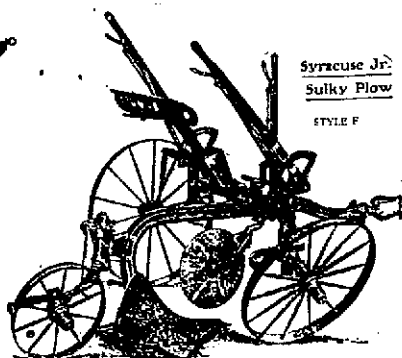
Introducing Us as Implement Men.  
Syracuse and Imperial Plows  
Our Specialty

We are extremely self-satisfied in the reputation we have for quality buggies. This is one reason we have waited so long to take up an implement line, as we wanted the best goods. The SYRACUSE and IMPERIAL lines of Steel and Chill plows have a world wide reputation; and as we have watched them locally we know we have goods we can safely recommend to our best customers and friends.

Spare a few minutes Souvenir Day and call on us. We will welcome you and give you full privilege of the house. We expect a large number of visitors, so probably can not give you much time personally, but you will be just as welcome to look around and examine all the goods. We will appreciate it, too. Won't you come?



The strongest vineyard gang made. No sprung frame on this. Rear bottom detachable. Easy running. Light draft. Syracuse quality.



Perfection of strength. But the secret is the bottom. No sod too tough or soil too difficult. Perfect scouing, and a delight to the horses—such light draft. Let us show you.



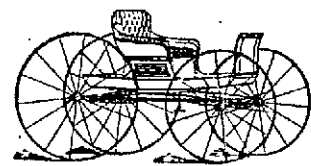
Long, strong teeth. A thorough pulverizer. A mighty useful tool.



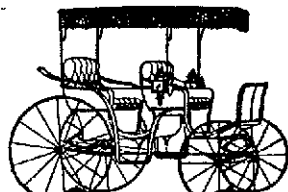
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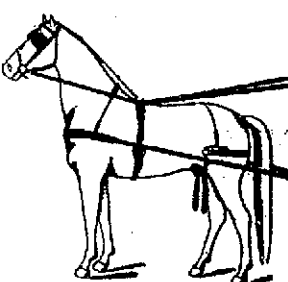
Two horse Fresno Scraper. A sample of our prices ..... \$18.00



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# INSANE FARMER MURDERS WIFE AND CHILD; COMMITS SUICIDE

George C. Chevront Uses Hatchet With Murderous Intent on Members of Family—Fails in Effort to Exterminate Four Children; Throws Self Under Train.

Three dead, one fatally injured and two painfully wounded is the bloody record of George C. Chevront, a local rancher, who, during a fit of insanity, attempted to exterminate his family of five with a hatchet at his residence, 167 Nielsen avenue, about 5:15 o'clock yesterday morning. After committing the ghastly deed Chevront regained his normal mind and attempted to escape. He hurried from the blood-bespattered house in the direction of his peach orchard, west of town, but while crossing the Southern Pacific railroad tracks, he became remorse-stricken at the realization of his fiendish crime, and hurled himself under the rapidly moving wheels of passenger train No. 86. The murderer was horribly mangled and his cut and bruised remains lie side by side in the morgue with his wife and 12-year-old son, Claude. Little 9-year-old Blanche Gladys lies unconscious on a cot at the Burnett sanitarium with two physicians constantly in attendance. She is not expected to live through today. Her skull was punctured by the sharp blade of the heavy hand-axe in the hands

of an infuriated human being, whose weight is something over 200 pounds and whose physical strength for a man of his age was remarkable.

Mrs. Chevront and son, Claude, were not killed instantly. The woman lying until 8 o'clock yesterday morning. She expired on the operating table at the sanitarium. In an adjoining room, late 12-year-old Claude, with his brains showing through a gaping wound in the back of his head, another victim of the maniac, Claude died at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, without regaining consciousness. His younger sister, Blanche Gladys, although remaining unconscious, has proved to be a physical marvel, baffling the physicians, who hourly predict her death. With the loss of several ounces of brains, the boy lived nine hours. The girl received a hard blow on the top of the skull and her face around the eyes and nose was cut. It is

thought that the skull was forced against the brain. Her chance of recovery is said to be but one in a million. Mrs. Chevront was struck from behind as she was crossing the kitchen from the pantry. Three blows were struck, all in the back of the head near the left ear. Chevront arose a little before 5 o'clock and went to the barn in the rear of the premises at 167 Nielsen avenue, ostensibly for the purpose of caring for the horses. WORK OF SLAUGHTER. His wife arose immediately and started a fire in the kitchen range. She began preparing the morning meal and had several pans on the stove when the husband entered with the hatchet in his hand. The weapon was a heavy one, frequently used as an axe. In fact, the blade is the size and weight of an axe, but the handle is short, the length of a hatchet handle.

These in the house heard no words exchanged and the first intimation that a tragedy was being enacted was when the piercing screams of Mrs. Chevront rang through the hallways. Evidently, the panic-stricken woman had seen her husband enter with the hatchet in his hand. She screamed and started to retreat through the kitchen door, but he reached her as she passed the stove. Whether the first blow felled her and the fiend then struck her twice as she lay prostrate on the floor or the three blows were struck as the terrified woman fled, the thing now piercing the brain, may never be known.

Hearing the screams, the children were aroused and leaped from their beds. Chevront rushed into an adjoining bedroom where his 3-year-old daughter, Blanche, lay sleeping. He had been waving the blood-covered hatchet above his head. The little girl screamed: "Papa, papa, don't kill me!" just as Cowan M. McChung, the 12-year-old stepson of Chevront, rushed into the room from the kitchen. By this time, George, an older son, reached the bedside of the little girl, who, gripped with the demented man, but his strength was not powerful enough to grasp the weapon from the man's grasp and the daughter was struck a glancing blow. Likewise did Claude, the 12-year-old son, receive his fatal injury a few seconds later. Before the maniac regained his mind, Claude fell back on his bed with the blood streaming from the wound in his head. The blow had been struck in exactly the same spot as that on Mrs. Chevront's head. The little daughter sank on the floor, her unconscious body lying on the floor, her head covered with the blood from the wound.

Then the man turned his attention to Cowan M. McChung and George Chevront, who were standing in the hallway. He rushed to the door and succeeded in striking George several glancing blows on the head, face and body. However, the wounds were nothing more serious than skin abrasions. As McChung's hand was raised about the hatchet handle, Chevront paused in his frantic attack and placing one hand to his forehead, seemed to regain his normal mind. He handed the bloody weapon to his stepson and dashed into the house. He started in the direction of his former ranch, west of Fresno.

It appears that the trio in the desperate struggle left the front room and struggled out to the front porch. After Chevront staggered and fell on his head, as if realizing the enormity of his crime, he dashed down the steps before the boys could interfere. They watched him walk rapidly in the direction of the railway tracks.

M. H. Heitzel, a laundry wagon driver, residing at 324 Nielsen avenue, had been aroused by the calls for help from George. He met the boys in the street and then rushed to a telephone near by, notifying police headquarters and the Stephens & Bean undertaking parlor. An ambulance in charge of Pat Doyle was hurried to the scene. At once every policeman that could be reached was ordered to the residence and the trail of the murderer was taken up. The sheriff's office was likewise apprised of the facts and Detectives Mike Sullivan and Harry Staley went to the railroad tracks. Several citizens joined in the search and about 6:30 o'clock, Fred Schanhorst, one of the party, discovered the body in a culvert, where it had been thrown by the car.

The attention of the officers was called and the remains were pulled from their place of concealment. Although the body was crushed, the child being in the way, the body was immediately identified as that of the murderer. The coroner was summoned and the corpse conveyed to the morgue. At 8 o'clock word came from the sanitarium that Mrs. Chevront had succumbed to her wounds and her body was brought to the morgue. At 2 p. m. the third death was recorded and the victim lay side by side, covered with blood.

CARING FOR VICTIMS. A pathetic feature in connection with the tragedy was the race from the residence on Nielsen street to the sanitarium on Fresno street by the ambulance driver. The children were sent in as fast as possible along the paved streets. Doyle, who was in charge, holding the woman on one knee and the little girl on the other, their heads resting on Doyle's shoulders, was brought to the morgue. Claude, victim No. 1, was carried in the lap of the stepson and his older brother, George.

Soon after reaching the sanitarium, George Chevront fell, his slight wounds having been dressed. The stepson, Cowan McChung, was found to have been injured about the arms and legs only.

INSANE ACTIONS. That Chevront was seized with a temporary fit of insanity at an early hour yesterday morning is the belief of the authorities. It was also learned yesterday that Chevront confessed the previous day those of an insane man. On Tuesday he went to his former ranch on the West Side, a mile north and a half mile west of the McKinley school house. It appeared that last week, Chevront showed a deal with F. K. Koffer and wife for the sale of the twenty-acre peach orchard.

The money received from the sale was placed in a local bank in Mrs. Chevront's name. The exact amount received from the sale is not known. Tuesday afternoon, Chevront went to his former ranch at the request of the purchaser. Koffer asked Chevront if he would teach him something about the raising of the peach trees.

The former owner is said to have replied: "No, not today. I don't feel like showing anything. My head is in a whirl and my brain seems to be in a whirl and I'm afraid I might do something desperate." Chevront then left the ranch, returning to the city, where he met several acquaintances and told them the same thing.

It also appears that a few days ago, the stepson told Chevront that he was thinking seriously of taking a trip to Los Angeles. The aged man asked him to postpone the trip, saying: "I wish you would stay here, because I am losing my mind and I might kill the whole bunch."

McChung is a brother of H. McChung, who resides on South J street. Younger McChung is currently in the Fresno fire department.

CHEVRONT WELL KNOWN. Chevront was 51 years of age and a native of France. His wife was about the same age. She had been married before her maiden name, Blanche Gladys. Her first husband was McChung, two sons being the issue of this union. Chevront was her second husband. By him, she had three children. Chevront had resided in the San Joaquin valley for the past twenty years. About fifteen years ago he moved to Fresno county near Visalia, where he owned considerable property, disposing of this before moving here. At one time he was foreman of the Cain ranch, in Tulare county.

Several years ago the murderer resided near Easton. He has owned property in various parts of Fresno county. His specialty has been hog-raising. For the past year Chevront had been displaying signs of insanity on divers occasions.

During these temporary fits of insanity, he had a penchant for making center drive into the surrounding country and purchasing all the hogs he saw. Last June he is said to have hired an automobile and ordering the chauffeur to drive into the rural districts, he bought several hundred dollars worth of hogs.

It is said that he secured \$1500 from his wife to buy this live stock and after removing the purchases to his farm asked his wife for more money with which to feed the animals. His wife refused and in a fit of anger, Chevront went to the peach orchard and liberated the entire herd of swine, the animals destroying much property in the vicinity. On another occasion Chevront bought several hundred hogs and cleaned up a neat sum on the deal. However, his plunging resulted in much financial worry and this seemed to prey on his mind.

LEAVES LARGE ESTATE. Chevront was a member of Manzanita Camp, Woodmen of the World of this city, joining the Fresno order in the spring of 1900. Clerk George R. Andrews stated yesterday that the deceased always paid his dues promptly and was a faithful member. Andrews, who is public administrator, but is not handling the estate owing to the existence of relatives, declared that the estate is between ten and eleven thousand dollars. Much of this is cash. The day before Thanksgiving, Chevront called on Andrews and asked him to straighten out some financial matters. The public administrator figured out the money in the bank for Chevront, who appeared to be rational. The man left Andrews' office in a relieved state of mind.

As a matter of fact, Chevront was well thought of and was comparatively well known. Sheriff Chittenden, Recorder E. N. Barstow and Ed Bradley, a city policeman, have known the deceased for years.

His honesty in all transactions was never questioned. He seemed to worry over any small set-back in a financial transaction and he was continually complaining of his hard-luck, believing that he would soon be broke. He carried a \$1000 life insurance policy in the W. O. W. and this will go to the estate, which is inherited by George Chevront, Gladys, the girl, if she survives, and the two McChung boys, who are sons of the dead woman.

Chevront died before his wife and the entire estate passed to her. By her death, the estate goes to the surviving children, Attorney J. O. Traher has been engaged by the McChung boys to look after the estate. The insurance policy was made out in favor of the wife.

Chevront has a brother, who is in the mountains. An effort is being made to reach him by messengers. The dates of the funerals have not been set. An inquest will probably be held.

TESTED FOR INSANITY. It was learned last night that Chevront had been before a lunatic commission about a year and a half ago. The physician pronounced him sane, and the man seemed to have regained his senses by the time of the examination. Constable Walter McSwain had Chevront in charge for several weeks. Chevront in charge for several weeks. Chevront in charge for several weeks.

At one time the Patrolman Ed Bradley prevented the man from killing a local transfer driver, who had not hauled some green peaches in the manner Chevront had prescribed. The farmer wanted the fruit conveyed on a wagon with springs, but the driver used an ordinary delivery wagon, with the result that Chevront threatened him with bodily harm. The officer interfered and escorted the insane man to his home.

Some of the officers expressed the theory that Chevront was attempting to escape when he reached the railroad tracks and while trying to board the train missed his footing and fell under the wheels. His body was pulled open from the left side in the backbox and his face and head were

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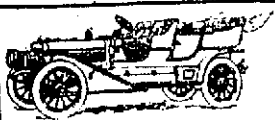
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